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TELEGRAMS. CONDENSED.

A ZEPPELIN AND AEROPLANE RAID ON BUKHAREST CAUSED NO DAMAGE. THE ENEMY BOMBED ROUMANIAN TOWNS WITHOUT DOING DAMAGE. ENEMY BATTERIES SHELLING A BRIDGE ON THE STRUMA WERE SILENCED. GENERAL SIR DOUGLAS HAIG REPORTS THAT BAD WEATHER CONTINUES. GERMAN ATTEMPTS TO ADVANCE AT GUILLEMONT WERE EASILY STOPPED. A BRITISH RAID HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT NEAR NEUVILLE ST. VAAST. FOUR ENTENTE MINISTERS HAVE MADE A CALL ON THE GREEK PREMIER. ROUMANIA'S ENTRY INTO THE WAR HAS IMPRESSED ATHENS. GREECE IS CONSIDERING RE-MOBILISING & FORMING A NATIONAL CABINET. M. VENIZELOS MAY BE A MEMBER OF THE NEW GREEK NATIONAL CABINET. THE FRENCH HAVE BOMBARDED ENEMY ORGANISATIONS ON THE STRUMA. SERBIANS REPULSED BULGARIAN ATTACK NEAR OSTROVO LAKE. RUSSIAN TROOPS ARE REPORTED TO BE WELL INTO ROUMANIA. AUSTRALIA IS REFERRING THE COMPULSION QUESTION TO A REFERENDUM. THE FRENCH HAVE MADE MORE PROGRESS TO THE EAST OF FLEURY. ROUMANIAN TROOPS OCCUPIED DOMINATING POSITIONS IN HUNGARY. THE ROUMANIANS HAVE TAKEN 741 AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN PRISONERS. ROUMANIAN ARTILLERY SILENCED AUSTRIAN MONITOR & BATTERIES.

[All telegrams appearing in large type are the latest, having been received during the course of the day. Those in small type have come through over-night.]

THE BALKAN SITUATION.

Greece Profoundly Impressed.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

August 30, 2.20 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Athens, four Entente Ministers visited M. Zismis.
The news of the entry of Roumania into the war has created a profound impression.
Re-mobilisation and a reconstitution of the Cabinet on a national basis, with M. Venizelos as a member, is being considered.

A French Communique.

August 30, 4.25 p.m.
A French communique issued at Salonica says:—We bombarded the enemy's organisations on the Struma and in the region of Lake Doiran. We have progressed west of the Vardar in the neighbourhood of Djumika.
There are violent artillery duels in the sectors of Vretnik and Ostrovo.
A Bulgarian attack west of Ostrovo lake was repulsed with serious losses by the Serbian artillery.

Enemy Batteries Silenced.

August 30, 4.25 p.m.
A Salonica communique states:—The enemy shelled Kopriva Bridge, on the Struma. We retaliated and silenced the enemy batteries.
Our aeroplanes bombed Drama station and troops and transports at Borna, apparently successfully.

Roumanian Capital Bombed.

August 30, 5.20 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Bukharest, a communique says:—A Zeppelin and an aeroplane bombed Bukharest, doing no damage. The raiders were driven off by artillery.
Enemy aeroplanes bombed Baltoch, Piatra and Meamt, causing no damage.

Russian Troops in Roumania.

August 30, 5.45 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, it may be assumed that Russian troops are now well into Roumania.

Roumanians Take Over Seven Hundred Prisoners.

August 30, 11.10 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Bukharest says the following official announcement has been made:—Our troops crossed the Austro-Hungarian frontier after a lively action and occupied several dominating positions, especially near Bresso, where the main railroad on the frontier is situated. Seven hundred and forty-one prisoners were taken.
Our artillery silenced an Austrian monitor and batteries on the Danube.

THE EGYPTIAN FRONT.

August 30, 4.25 p.m.
General Murray reports:—A hundred enemy cavalry, in attempting to approach Birel Bayud, were driven off by our patrols and were pursued for six miles.

TELEGRAMS. COMPULSION IN AUSTRALIA.

Referendum to be Taken.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

August 30, 1.40 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne says the Government proposes to take a referendum on the question of compulsion.

Calling up Single Men.

August 30, 5.50 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne, in the House of Representatives, Mr. Hughes stated that, pending the referendum, if enlistments are insufficient, within a month a proclamation will be issued calling up for training all single men without dependents.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

Minor Operations on British Front.

August 30, 4.35 p.m.
General Sir Douglas Haig, in a communique, says:—There are minor enterprises only.
Bad weather continues. Haig's hearted enemy attempts to advance in the vicinity of Guillemont were easily frustrated.
Detachments of our troops reconnoitred what remained of Moquet farm and returned.
We carried out a successful raid near Neuville St. Vaast, inflicting casualties and taking prisoners. We suffered no loss.

French Progress.

August 30, 4.25 p.m.
A Paris communique states:—We have progressed east of Fleury.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on Page 8 or on Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

TRICKING THE PIRATES.

August 29, 4.30 p.m.
In a second article (copyright 1916) Mr. Alfred Noyes, dealing with British methods of coping with German submarines, tells of a submarine's disagreeable surprise. The commander ordered the crew of an apparently harmless fishing boat to take to their boat within five minutes. Immediately there was a well-rehearsed pounce on the fishing boat. Two fishermen knelt and prayed for mercy. Others hauled at the boat like men possessed. The resultant picture was a dummy boat, on deck in four pieces, a fine big gun levelled at the submarine by gunners of the Royal Navy and two Germans kneeling for mercy. And after they had scrambled to safety there was an abolished submarine, and oil upon many troubled waters. There were many such mysteries. A thing resembling a battleship may be harmless compared with a thing resembling Noah's Ark. German warships have been known to run like hares from a boat as harmless as a mouse.

THE BALKAN SITUATION.

Further Allied Progress.

August 29, 8.35 p.m.
A French official message from Salonica states that nothing fresh has occurred on the Struma front. There has been lively artillery activity in the region of Lake Doiran, and on the banks of the Vardar. We continued our progress towards Djumika. The Serbian advance towards Vretnik continues. Strong Bulgarian attacks were repulsed.

King George Congratulates Roumania.

August 29, 2.35 p.m.
His Majesty the King has telegraphed the King of Roumania expressing the satisfaction wherewith the news of Roumania's entry into the war was received by himself and the whole nation. He rejoices that the "Roumanian army alongside the Allies will bring still nearer the approaching triumph of our great cause."

Austrian Monitor's Busy.

August 30, 4.55 a.m.
The "Times" correspondent at Bukharest states that Austrian monitors and batteries bombarded the towns of Verciorova, Turnusevering and Gurgievo.

Roumanian Politics.

August 30, 4.55 a.m.
It is rumoured that a coalition Ministry will be formed in Bukharest. M. Vintila Bratianu has been appointed Minister for War, succeeding his brother, who remains Premier.

TELEGRAMS.

THE FIGHTING IN THE WEST.

Bad Weather.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

August 30, 12.45 a.m.
A Paris official message states there is nothing to report. Bad weather has hampered operations.

Sir Douglas Haig's Report.

August 30, 12.45 a.m.
General Sir Douglas Haig, in a communique reports considerable enemy artillery activity on various parts of the front. The only infantry engagement besides the usual trench bombing encounters was the approach of a small force towards our trenches near Poireres windmill, which our fire quickly dispersed, leaving seven killed.
Heavy thunderstorms made observation difficult.
Two enemy aeroplanes were destroyed, and two badly damaged yesterday. Two of ours are missing.
Since July 1st, 268 officers, 15,203 men, 88 guns, 160 machine guns and other war material have been captured.

VON FALKENHAYN DISMISSED.

August 30, 3.15 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Copenhagen, it is officially announced at Berlin that the Kaiser has dismissed his Chief of General Staff, General von Falkenhayn, and has appointed General von Hindenburg his successor. General von Ludendorff is appointed First Quartermaster General.

BRUSSELS UNDER THE GERMANS.

No News and Dear Food.

An American whom I last saw in Brussels at the beginning of the war has just passed through Switzerland, and has given me the following impressions of life in the Belgian capital during its period of occupation by the enemy.
Except for the presence of the ubiquitous German soldiery (a quiet, well-behaved, unobtrusive class of men, very different from the original band of invaders) there are not many outward signs of change. The privation which the inhabitants feel most keenly is the absence of news. Stray copies of English and French newspapers are occasionally sold for their weight in gold, but the three regular newspapers which have been established, the Bruxellois, the Belgique, and the Quotidien draw all their information from German sources. Only three theatres have opened their doors, the Gaiety, the Olympia, and the Alhambra, but all the cinemas are doing business. One of them, the Cinema Pathe, on the Boulevard du Nord, has been bought by a German, and presents scenes of contemporary German life to an audience chiefly composed of German officers and men, but the others are restricted to films that were in circulation before the war.
Of the war itself, besides the Germans, who have become a "habit," the chief evidences are the long trains of German wounded which pass every day through the Gare du Luxembourg—from which the curious are excluded as far as possible by rows of sentinels—and the extravagant prices of food. Bread (of a greyish colour) costs 6½d. the kilogram, and meat of all kinds (veal, beef, mutton, or pork) about 4s. 2d. a lb. Chickens cost from 8s. to 10s. apiece, butter is from 3s. 4d. to 4s. 2d. a lb., potatoes 4d. a lb., and beef fat from 8s. to 10s. a lb. The high price of this last article is due to the fact that most of the available stock is wanted for the manufacture of soap, small tablets of which, about 2 inches by 1, are sold for 1s. 3d. But in general the dearth of food is caused by the commercial greed of certain evil-minded Belgian speculators, whose rapacity is winked at by the Germans. My friend told me of one case in which a prominent wholesaler grows is known to have retailed at over 8s. a lb. coffee which he had bought at 2s. 4d. In the town money is still fairly

plentiful, but in the surrounding country districts there is much distress and even starvation.

The regulation stamps for postcards and letters are eight and 15 centimes instead of five and 10. The postal service, which is conducted by German clerks and Belgian postmen (recalled two months ago to the service under pain of being deported to Germany in case of refusal), works well, but the telephone system has not been re-established. The tramway service, manned entirely by Belgians, continues as in time of peace. The police, who are also Belgians, are responsible for the good behaviour of the populace, but at the same time are under orders to salute all German commissioned and non-commissioned officers.

The other chief changes are that the cafes are deserted, except by the invaders, male and female, with whom the native inhabitants have very little contact, and that spies and informers still go about their dirty business, with the result that every now and then a few unfortunates are condemned to be shot. The man who informed against Miss Cavell was, I believe, the son of a Belgian colonel, and was afterwards assassinated by a French waiter.
Circulation in the town and within a four mile radius outside it is unrestricted, but beyond that distance special permits are obligatory. Leave to go to Mons, Namur, Charleroi, or Liege is rarely granted, and it is an affair of, perhaps, two months to get permission to go as far as Ghent or Antwerp.

Louvain, which my informant had recently visited, he described as resembling in some quarters the villages of wooden shanties which spring up round a newly discovered gold-digging. Many of the old inhabitants have now returned, and have to clear away part of the litter of fallen masonry in the streets, pull down some of the tottering walls, or where possible have repaired the shattered houses in a makeshift way with boards. For several weeks a Commission of German engineers and architects considered on the spot the project of reconstructing the ruined town on the lines of Antonin art, but so far they have not begun to carry this fall design into execution. It is to be presumed as well as to be hoped that they never will: some of the Bruxellois are even confident that by Christmas the reign of the Teuton will be put an end to by the triumphant entry of the Allies.

TELEGRAMS.

A TIDAL WAVE.

American Cruiser Wrecked.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]
London, Received August 31.
According to Reuter's correspondent at New York, a tidal wave at San Domingo threw the American cruiser Memphis, formerly the Tennessee, on the rocks in the outer harbour. She is a total wreck, and twenty of the crew have been drowned.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

IMPENDING U.S. RAILWAY STRIKE.

The President's Plans.

London, Received August 31.
A great railway strike is threatened in the United States on September 4. President Wilson is endeavouring to avert it, and will recommend Congress to legislate to that end. It is stated that he will propose an eight-hour day and the prohibition of strikes and lockouts on railways, pending investigation of the disputes. He is also considering measures for permitting the railways to increase their revenues in cases where their expenses are increased, and for providing for the State working of the railways for the conveyance of national necessities in the event of a strike.

Address to Congress.

London, Received August 31.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that President Wilson has addressed a joint session of Congress regarding the threatened railway strike, and has criticised the refusal of the Companies to accept an eight hour day in the face of the practical certainty that they will ultimately be obliged to accept it by the concentrated action of Labour and public opinion. He outlined proposals for a settlement, including the State working of the railways in the event of a strike. Meanwhile, both sides are preparing for the fight. The men are bitterly opposed to the President's proposal for compulsory investigation into disputes. Advice from the West shows that the various railroads are already refusing perishable freight, in expectation of the strike.

DEATH OF MR. F. WARRE CORNISH.

London, Received August 31.
The death is announced of Mr. Francis Warre Cornish ex Vice-Provost of Eton.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Palatine Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
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GENERAL NEWS.

47 Years' War?

A lighterman employed by
Messrs. William Cory and Co.
has received a notice from the
military authorities calling him
up for service on July 24, 1861.
His employers are appealing to
the City Tribunal.

Soldier at 13.

Private John Masters, of West
Ealing, joined the East Surrey
Regiment a year ago when he
was only thirteen years and eight
months old. During the past
month he has twice been in the
trenches. His father is a private
in the R.A.M.C.

Suspension Bridge Collapse.

A wire suspension bridge,
which had been constructed
across the Totsugawa, Nara-ken;
collapsed during the opening
ceremony. The accident occurred
when many persons were as-
sembled on the bridge for a
photograph to be taken. The
breaking of the bridge pre-
cipitated them a distance of sixty
feet into the river below, six be-
ing killed and thirty injured.

General Sir F. Mulcahy.

Major-General Sir Francis Mul-
cahy, who has been technical ad-
viser at the Government explosive
works at Hirasaka for the past
three years, has completed his ser-
vice in Japan at his own request
and will leave for England soon.
Lieut. General Pease, who succeeds
him, has already arrived in Japan.
Before coming to Japan General
Pease spent over a year in the
United States on special work for
the British Government.

Red Tape Disapproved.

Mr. Cancellor recently refused
to be a party to Army red tape.
A man was brought before him
on a charge of being an absentee.
He had been discharged from the
Army, but a corporal said he had
been discharged "under the
wrong paragraph," and he was
instructed to take him back "in
order that he might go under the
proper formality." Mr. Cancellor:
Why not discharge him here
without all that formality? I
shall discharge him.

100 Shells a Minute.

Prior to our advance the village
of Brzenin-le-Grand had (says
the Times correspondent at the
front) been simply pulverised by
our preliminary bombardment.
It had been heavily shelled at
intervals throughout the proceed-
ing two days, and over 2,000
shells were thrown into it in the
last twenty minutes before our
attack. It ought to have been a
very formidable obstacle, but such
of the enemy as had survived the
bombardment were quite unable
to offer any material resistance.

987,238 Old Age Pensions.

During the year ending March,
1915, there were 160,379 claims
made for Old-age Pensions, of
which 108,058 were made in
England. On the last Friday in
March no fewer than 987,238
persons drew the pension, and
with the exception of some 43,000
all were receiving the full 5s.
This is the highest number re-
corded, the total having gradually
risen since 1909, when there were
only 647,494 recipients. Women
pensioners exceeded men by nearly
two to one—viz., 617,840
women, against 369,398 men.
There were 70,768 recipients in
London, 21,422 men and 48,816
women, and the cost was
£897,908.

Cracks at the Tower.

Since September last the officials
of the National Physical Labora-
tory have been measuring, by
means of three micrometers
especially made, the growth of
cracks in the buildings of the
Tower of London. Although in
some cases there are indications
of a progressive displacement,
in others the rate of displacement is
irregular. At only one place has
the total movement in six months
exceeded one-hundredth of an
inch, so that no serious distur-
bances have been detected. At one
station near the river front there
have been movements which sug-
gest the existence of an effect due
to the rise and the fall of the tide.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Twenty-foot Periscope.
The Santa Fe railwaymen guarding a dangerous crossing at San Bernardino, California, now use a twenty-foot war periscope to watch for trains coming round a dangerous curve. The periscope extends over the roof buildings that obstruct the view.

Not in It.
His friends in Hongkong will be interested to hear that Mr. W. S. Hampden-Smith, late chief officer of the China Merchants' s.s. Heinhang, who is now Lieut. R.N.B., writes: "I was not in the latest scrap, unfortunately, but hope to be in the next and final one. We have a few exciting times, but nothing that lasts long."

Australia and Soldiers' Insurance.
A sum has been set aside by the Australian Parliament for payment of the premiums on the life insurance policies of Commonwealth public servants who have enlisted in the Expeditionary Forces. This concession only applies to those public servants who were compelled by the regulations to take up insurance policies.

A Kind Gentleman.
Mr. George Robey recently received the following letter from a Hanover Square moneylender: "War Charities.—If you should be unable to gratify your kind and generous feelings towards the shore for want of a little money, shall be glad if you will let me know when you will immediately be placed in possession of funds. He that giveth quickly giveth twice." We have heard of borrowing money to pay one's debts—but this is the latest!—John Bull.

Poetic Justice.
A report from St. Catherine's, Ontario, mentions that owing to the scarcity of labourers on the Welland Canal over 100 alien enemy prisoners from an internment camp have been brought to that place to expend their energies toward the completion of that big work within the estimated period. While this is not in the least a retaliatory measure, there is a certain amount of poetic justice in it, for when one remembers how carefully certain German-Americans plotted to destroy this canal it seems only fitting that their interned compatriots should be put to work improving it.—Central News.

Spirits Ban.
In the Court of Session, Edinburgh, recently, Lord Ormisdale gave judgment in an action raised to test the validity of a Scottish Licensing Court prohibiting the sale of spirits. Forty-six licence holders in Motherwell were granted renewal certificates at the local court last April for the sale of excisable liquors, but not for the sale of spirits. The Licensing Appeal Court, by the casting vote of the chairman, upheld the magistrate's decision. Lord Ormisdale held that the magistrates had acted without statutory warrant, and exceeded their jurisdiction. He therefore granted a decree in favour of the licence holders.

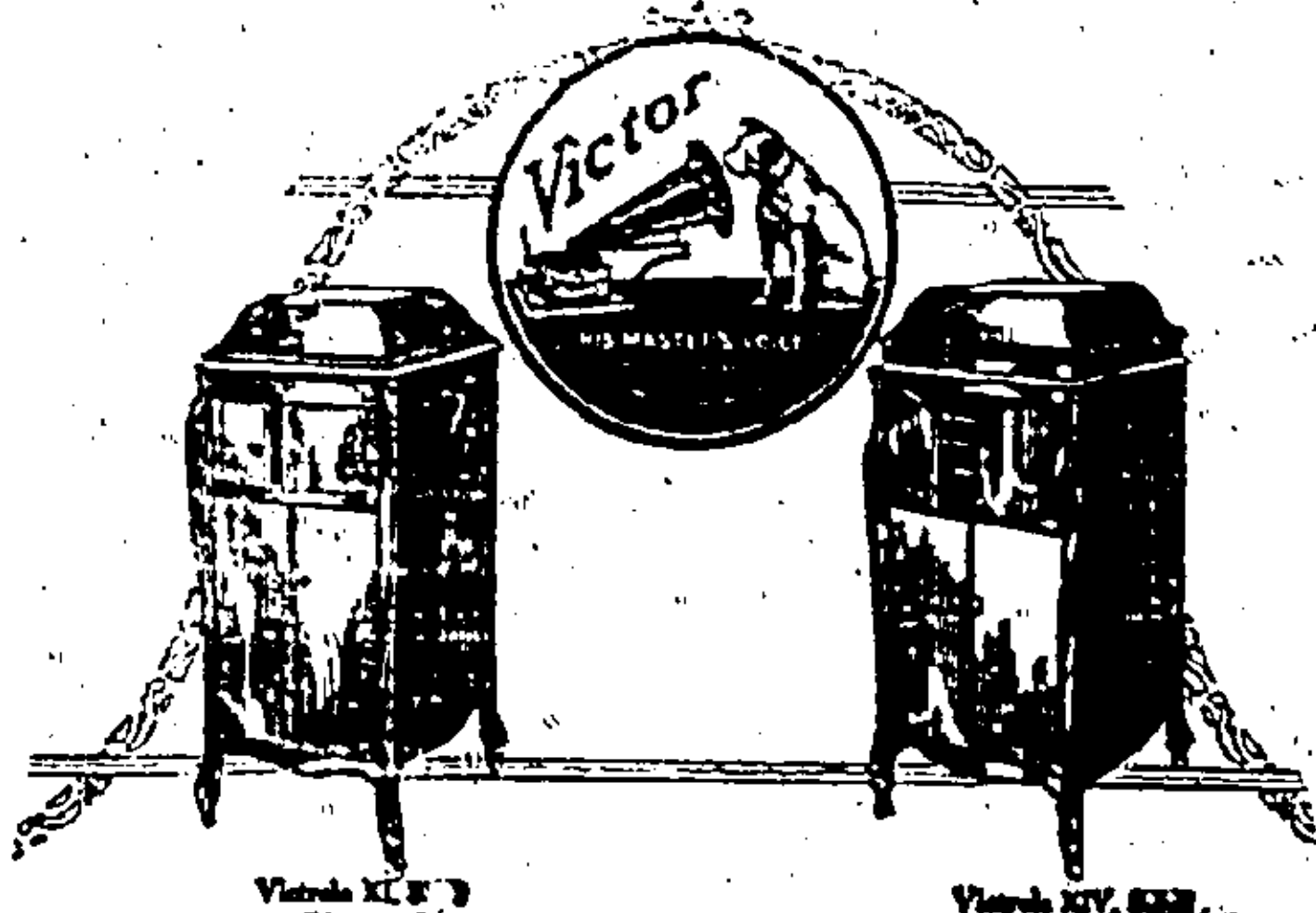
Greedy Guardians.
Edmonton Guardians must be a pretty mean collection. From the stress of war conditions a soldier became insane, and was placed in an asylum under the Edmonton Union. The allowance to his wife ceased automatically, and she had to turn out into the world again and go into service. Then those grasping Guardians discovered that a sum of £3 6s. was due to the soldier for back pay, and they conceived a plan to seize it on account of his maintenance. Discovering where the wife was employed, they sent an official to her with a document for her signature, assigning the money to them. We are glad to say she refused to sign anything of the kind, and we hope she will, by holding out, prevent their claws from grabbing the money due to her afflicted husband, and, failing him, to herself.—John Bull.

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"DICK WHITTINGTON" IN GREECE.

A Soldier's Pantomime.

Did Theopis and his cast (if there ever was a Theopis and he ever had a cast) go on tour to Salonica and its environs? If not, a Field Ambulance of the British Army has probably "created a record" in theatrical as well as (we doubt not) in military and medical history. For a Field Ambulance produced last Christmas at Salonica a pantomime, and a General commanding a Division was so delighted when he saw it that he invited it to go on tour round the units. So the burlesque and in-hospitable mountains behind Salonica—somewhere, as they say in theatrical circles, "off the map"—became acquainted with that exceedingly un-Hellenic form of dramatic art, the English pantomime.

Every night an audience some 500 strong used to come tramping over the hills, sometimes through the deep snow, to the temporary theatre nestled in some sheltered hollow, and every night the "house" was crowded to its utmost capacity.

The "house" was three mar-quees. The orchestra was a piano (or rather an "instrument of forte"), a violin, and a piccolo. The stage was little more than the three planks demanded by Dumas, and the scenery was Army blankets. But what much better fun it must all have been than going to the pantomime at home! We that are left cannot hope to share in the full joy. Yet, after all, the play is the thing; and the text of the piece, which has just been printed, with introductory story of its composition and mounting, gives an hour's rich amusement.

Private Frank Kennington wrote this Dick Whittington in less than a fortnight, in odd moments in a crowded tent or during the brief halts by the wayside of the march. If he had written it in a morocco chair and taken six months over it, it would still have been a more amusing pantomime than most. The author knew his audience, and knew what would tickle them. Dick Whittington rises to be a sergeant, and

then, not Lord Mayor, but "a proud full-blown A.D.M.S." Fitzwarren is a Government contractor, and the villains in chief are two gentlemen named Count Macconochie and Sir Joseph Paxton (handsome apologies being offered in the introduction). Macconochie stands for a certain famous Army ration; Sir Joseph Paxton for Army jam. If the British soldier fights "on his stomach" he jokes on it too; and his jokes are more easily digested than his fighting. As to the Cat, we must draw a veil over its terrible end. It was not unconnected with "Macconochie", but there are jokes you can make in Salonica which must not be reproduced in the London Press. And in the clever hands of Private Kennington the story of Dick Whittington becomes a bombardment of Army jokes, but so drolly set down that the merest civilian must understand and laugh, and, laughing, learn what sort of spirit these irrepressible fellows are showing. The finale of Act III. has for its chorus "Ypres-addy-lay-lay-lay." Private G. Gibson took a hand in the writing, and has a pretty taste in parody, contrasts.

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their pantomime, which doubtless are still current. More: the official military maps of the district bear the names of "Fitzwarren", "Corner", "Alice Lane," and so forth; and who knows but that these names, and with them this pantomime, may go down in glory through British history?—Times.

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THE APPROACHING DOWNFALL.

If Germany can see other than swift ruin dogging her at the present moment, her madness must indeed be of the incurable order. From the Jutland battle down to the present moment her part in the war has been an unrelieved list of reverses, disappointments and disillusionments. Even her "successes" in the way of submarine attacks and air raids on the British coast have fallen off, and she can point to nothing of a face-saving nature. The frantic moving of troops from east to west, and from west back again, has profited her nothing; her attempts at Verdun have but furnished cartoon artists with ideas, and in East Africa her soldiers are being hunted and exterminated like vermin. The help that was to have come from Turkey, from Austria and from Bulgaria can never come now; Turkey is being steadily crushed by Russia, and Austria by Russia and Italy combined, and the concerted movement of the Allies in the Balkans promises to give Bulgaria all the occupation that she is likely to require. Thus Germany, stands helpless, able to do little more than put off the evil day that is coming to her on the western front; waiting, as one might say, for the blow to fall.

And all this is without taking Roumania's action into consideration. By her entry into the war, as one of yesterday's wires pointed out, Roumania practically completes the deadly blockade of our arch-enemy. Germany and Austria have been calling themselves "the Central Powers" for long enough, without ever dreaming that the word "central" might come to have the bitterest of meanings for them. Central they are; the centre of a circle of avengers who have sworn to bring them to judgment and who must now close in on them till they yield or are crushed. It is a dark time for Germany, but a darker yet may come before the war ends. While she, conceivably, may still be well supplied with men, provisions and munitions, her allies, Austria and Turkey, have been giving unmistakable signs of exhaustion. The Bulgarians are doubtless in better condition materially; but they have never taken altogether kindly to the work forced upon them; desertions from their regiments have been matters of every-day occurrence, and only the cultured joys of looting Serbia have given them any real heart to their work. With her associates in this condition it is unthinkable that Germany may one day, in the very near future, find herself deserted, and her fellow criminals clamouring for a distinct peace?

Had Germany not been in the hands of madmen she could never have allowed things to come to their present pass; never have consented to slip so steadily and irretrievably towards certain destruction. But her people, with all their boasted wisdom and knowledge, seem to have been content to trust their affairs to men who should have been in an asylum for criminal lunatics years ago; men who pointed to the moon and told their followers that it was theirs for the asking. And now the penalty has to be paid—by a nation that will soon be as bankrupt of money as it now is of honour. What are the German people going to think of their rulers on the day when they stand despoiled of the territory which they have seized, and realize that the blood of millions has been shed, and the country's entire treasury wasted, in the futile effort to keep them? What, too, are they going to think when they find that their punishment is not to stop at mere restitution? What, for that matter, are they beginning to think, even at the present moment?

"Two Tons for One."

The suggestion made by a Home paper, that every ship belonging to the Allied Powers sunk by German submarines shall be replaced by Germany out of her merchant shipping, ship for ship and ton for ton, is one of the sanest and most practical we have yet encountered in connection with the terms of peace to be imposed on Germany. But is it not possible to go even further still? If a thief or a robber is caught, the law is not satisfied by his returning the booty; that is not sufficient—he has to pay some penalty in addition. The Huns in this war have proved themselves most vicious burglars, and they must be punished as such. There is, therefore, the further suggestion, which has also been put forward at Home, that in the final reckoning it should not be "ton for ton," but "two tons for one." The author of this proposal would go even further still, for he advocates that if, after the pledges which Germany continues to give America, she should continue her submarine frightfulness, she should be openly told that she will have to pay three tons for one, and so on until she ceases her outrages. Here at any rate we have a very sound and practical basis for dealing with the Hun. Apart from restoring to Allied shipowners the losses they have sustained, the scheme would do much towards crippling the German mercantile marine, a thing which must be done if we are not to give back to the Germans the place on the sea which they held before the war. Germany's marine power has to be smashed.

Military Reform for China.

We mentioned yesterday that General Fong Kuo-cheng has sent a delegate to Peking to consult with the Central Government concerning certain suggested military reforms for China. General Fong, it will be remembered, displayed very marked ability as a strategist and organizer in the Yunnan trouble of last year, wherein he was associated with Tasi Ao; and there is no doubt that the President, who is a prudent man, will be very ready to act upon the hints of so practical a soldier. Among the General's plans are the reorganization of the Revolutionary troops into the regular army, the disbandment of all superfluous troops and the reform of all the arsenals in the country. China, it need hardly be said, is in the peculiar position of finding herself with either too few or too many soldiers. To repel foreign invasion she has not enough; to keep proper order in the country she has enough and to spare.

The Chinese Soldier.

The ideals of the Chinese soldier at the present moment cannot be considered very lofty ones. In a word, he enrols himself because he regards the military life as an easy one and because at any moment he may find himself able to indulge in unlimited looting. The preservation of good order and the lifting of his country out of the ditch are questions which he leaves to his superior officers. What wonder that the wisest among the military and provincial chiefs should wish to see the army well sorted and sifted and the worst of the undesirable summarily dismissed? The more experienced leaders know that there is good, trainable material among the regular soldiers, and also among those specially enlisted since the recent troubles began; and there is no doubt that, by a proper arrangement of regiments, at least the nucleus of an efficient army can be found. General Fong's reference to the arsenals is significant, too. Hitherto the mismanagement of them has been proverbial. Squeezes has invariably prevailed, and the class of European occasionally employed has not always been of the most reputable. Not only so, but, as has been shown in connection with the recent Canton fighting, these establishments have been regarded rather as the private property of individual leaders than of the State. A lot of work in this direction lies ahead of the new President and his advisers, and we wish him a happy issue out of all his difficulties.

DAY BY DAY.

IN ANCIENT TIMES—TWAS NO GREAT LOSS—
THEY HUNG THE THIEF UPON THE CROSS;
BUT NOW, ALAS! I SAYT WITH GRIEF,
THEY HANG THE CROSS UPON THE THIEF.—Lord Curzon.

The Weather.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 75; fine. (1915, 77 rain and fog.)
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 82; fine. (1915, 84 rain.)

The Mails.

Siberian Mail.—Closed per a.s. Porthos at 4 p.m. to-day.
American Mail.—Due per a.s. China to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Due per a.s. Luchoo to-morrow.
Canadian Mail.—Due per a.s. Empress of Russia to-morrow.

The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 1.13/16d.

To-morrow's Anniversary.

To-morrow is the 46th anniversary of General Bazaine's retreat into Metz during the Franco-Prussian War.

A Deal in Pigs.

The hearing was continued at the Summary Court this morning, before the Chief Justice, in which the Chong Shing firm, of Jardine's Bazaar, are claiming from Lung Yung, trader, of Tong Street, the sum of \$196.31, for the wrongful withholding of nine pigs. Mr. R. O. Faithfull appeared for defendants and plaintiffs were represented by Mr. Mattingley. Judgment was given for defendant with costs.

Ball Increased.

The inkling who was committed for trial by Mr. J. E. Wood the other day on a charge of receiving a bribe was again before the Court this morning. Mr. C. F. Mason, who is conducting the case for the prosecution, said he had decided to withdraw the other charges of striking the constable. Mr. Otto Kong Sing applied for a renewal of the bail of defendant, but Mr. Wood said he would have to increase this from \$200 to \$750.

Shanghai Races.

The programme of the forthcoming Shanghai Autumn Race Meeting has been issued, with the notification that the races will be held on November 8, 7 and 8, and the Off Day on November 11, and that entries close at 5 p.m. on Saturday, October 7. The list of events differs somewhat from that of last year. On the first day, the Subscription Griffin Stakes takes the place of the former Navy Stakes, and another race—the Kalgen Plate—for Subscription Griffins, is added to the programme. On the second day there is also an additional race for Subscription Griffins—the Mongolian Plate—while on the third day the sixth race will be a handicap for Subscription Griffins instead of the former Cosmopolitan Cup. On the Off Day there will be, as was the case at the Spring Meeting of this year, a handicap race for all griffins.

Victoria Theatre.

There was quite a large attendance at the Victoria theatre last evening when the performers, Dr. Rowe and Moss, made their first appearance. The first part of the programme was occupied by some very excellent pictures, including a two-part drama entitled "Romona," featuring Miss Mary Pickford. The whole of the audience seemed extremely well satisfied with the performance of the two artists, Dr. Rowe exclaiming, some smart tricks. In her clairvoyant act Moss gave a great deal of information in her answers to written questions, her prediction as regards the war being that it will not end before about Easter 1918. Another large feature, she thought, would come into the conflict in 1918. Taking the evening as a whole, it was one of the most enjoyable spent at the Victoria for some time past. The two performers are due to appear again this evening.

DER TAG.

The Germans in their sapience thought
That since the world saw light
There never was a race so great
Nor half so full of fight;

There never were such sailors bold,
Nor women so divine,
Nor soldiers with such martial air;
Nor beer that's so sublime;

There never was a country seen
So perfect, so refined,
Nor where a king had more control
O'er body, soul and mind.

Now Deutschland stretches far
And wide
And north unto the sea,
And midway twist the east and west
Lies Berlin on the Spree.

But Fritz, he was not satisfied
With such a vast expanse,
So on his neighbour's vineyard he
Cast many an envious glance.

He looked to south, to west, to east.

So far as he could see
No vacant spot could there be
To plant his progeny.

Then, looking northward, there
He saw
The ocean spreading wide,
But o'er it ruled Britannia
With trident by her side.

Now Fritz was e'er a jealous man,
Suspicious as could be,
And said, "If Britain rules the waves,"
"It's good enough for me."

"No doubt from o'er the ocean wide"
"She gathers piles of gold,"
"To think that I should have no share,"
"It makes my blood run cold."

"My army is beyond compare"
"My soldiers are not few,"
"As they can't swim to England's shores"
"A navy I'll have too."

So there and then he sat and planned,
And worked from morn till night,
To build a fleet in which to ship
His military might.

But Britain ruled the waves, you know,
A hundred years and more.
So Fritz was always left behind
And more and more he swore.

For every ship he planned to build
The British laid down two,
And let him know 'twas their intent
The same always to do.

Still, one fine morning up he got
And found he'd quite a fleet,
Although he knew he could not hope
With Britain's to compete;

But what he thought was this,
You see,
If he could land his men
On Britain's shores, he'd easy beard
The lion in his den.

And though their fleet might be immense
They could not sail on land,
And 'twas not even possible
His army to withstand.

So as he thought he'd ships enough
To carry out his plan,
He shouted out defiance bold,
Nor heeded God nor man.

But what was his amazement, when
He found the British fleet
Did sweep his ships from every sea
And thus his plan defeat,

And what was more amazing still,
Did all his ports blockade,
So that no ship could venture out
To carry on its trade.

Nor dare his fleet e'en show its face
Out on the rolling main,
Until compelled by public voice
And lack of meat and grain.

Then, not inspired by great resolve
To conquer or to die,
His ships crept out with secrecy
To trap the enemy.

And to a certain point indeed
His plan succeeded well,
And Bastille's flag he battered
With many shot and shell;

Until our Jellies arrived
And started shooting too,
When Fritz, he found he'd had
Enough

And back to port he flew.

FALSE PRETENCES.

Sentence of Four Months.

Mr. J. E. Wood gave his decision this morning in the case in which a Chinese was charged with obtaining money by false pretences. The case was one in which the plaintiff was promised by the defendant a berth as a comrade on the a.s. Nord, a sum of money being handed over in consideration for the post. It was later discovered that the ship had not been into Hongkong for many years, and that the defendant had no opportunity of providing such a berth.

Mr. P. W. Golding appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. C. F. Mason for the defendant.

His Worship said he had decided to convict, but, at the same time, he accepted Mr. Mason's suggestion that another man was more guilty than the defendant. As the defendant had been in gaol since July 27, he would only pass sentence of four months' hard labour.

But Jellies, he followed him
And really gave him fits
And blew a large part of his fleet
Into minutest bits.

Now this did not quite correspond
With what he hoped would be.
Still he gave out the German fleet
Had gained the victory;

And sunk of hostile ships a score
So far as he could tell,
And thought that quite as many more
Were damaged by his shell.

So when the ships came into port,
The bands began to play,
And flags were flying everywhere
To celebrate the day.

But though the day had come and gone,
Der Tag, their constant boast,
They wished they had not been so keen
On drinking of that toast.

Still must the fiction be maintained
E'en though lies must be told,
So down the Kaiser quickly went
To greet the victors bold;

Then carefully shut all the gates
That none outside could view,
And kissed each sailor on each cheek,
And every stoker too.

As you may guess, a sailor's face
Is rougher than his heart,
And several days he lay in bed
And suffered from the smart.

And as he lay in bed and thought
Of what he'd spent in vain,
He solemnly resolved that ne'er
Would he to sea again.

That ne'er again he'd try to wrest
From out Britannia's hand
The trident with its venomous point—
He'd rather fight on land.

Tis said, I hear, that somewhere down
In South America,
A fleet is advertised for sale,
"Part worn," so goes the "per."

It is not really quite so bright
And fresh as 'twas when new,
But, for a small republic, it
Most certainly will do.

Some holes may be perhaps observed
In armour, deck and yard.
They are but where Britannia
Knocked
That day she left her card.

A coat of paint and plate or two
Will put the whole thing right,
And make the ships as good as new
In case they have to fight.

But that your ships you may retain
To sail upon the ocean main,
Keep them within your harbour tight
When Britain's trident comes in sight;

And, don't forget, to waive the rules
On sea or land that ocean laws
Proved very ineffective tools
To fight the power that rules the waves.

MEMO.
Hongkong, August 30, 1916.

COMMENDED POLICE RESERVISTS.

Presentation of Bars by the Hon. C.S.P.

On many occasions since its formation the Police Reserve has been highly spoken of by those who are in a position to judge of its value to the Colony, and these appreciations have not been infrequently expressed by His Excellency the Governor and the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police. Last evening yet another function took place in the nature of an acknowledgment of the usefulness of this body of men, this being the presentation of Commended Service Bars to a number of its members.

A special parade took place at the Central Police Station, the presentations being made by the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police, Mr. O. McI. Messer. Among those also present were Captain Franks A.S.P. (Reserve), Mr. T. F. Hough A.S.P. (Reserve), and Major Jordan (Surgeon Superintendent); The men were under Mr. F. O. Jenkin, D.S.P. (Reserve), and Chief Inspector Mason.

The men having been arranged into square formation, Mr. Messer presented the Commended Service Bars to the following, their commended actions being detailed as under:—

Crown Sergeant Wong Kwong Tin (now Inspector) is highly commended for his intelligent action in a steam launch overcrowding case.

P.O. 124 Ng Kungee and P.O. 149 Chan Hung are commended by the Hon. C.S.P. for intelligent action in effecting the arrest of a snatcher in Queen's Road Central on the 11th inst.

P.O. Gaskell is commended by the Hon. C.S.P. for his resourcefulness whilst off duty in effecting the arrest in Nathan Road, Kowloon, on the 31st January, of a reckless cyclist who collided with and upset a ricksha carrying passengers. In making this presentation, Mr. Messer said it gave him particular pleasure to present Mr. Gaskell with a bar on account of the fact that he was such an old resident of the Colony, and also that he was one of the original members of the Police Reserve.

P.O. 137 Chan Yuk Shu is commended by the Hon. C.S.P. for his prompt action in saving a young girl from being run over by a tramcar on the 13th inst.

P.O. 137 Chan Yuk Shu is also commended by the Hon. C.S.P. for his smart capture of a snatcher in Des Voeux Road West at 10.45 p.m. on June 16th.

P.O. 163 Mok Lai Sang (now O.R. Sergeant) is commended by the Hon. C.S.P. for his plucky conduct in effecting the arrest of an armed robber who had committed a robbery at 39, Gage Street on the 23rd January 1916, and the recovery of a part of the stolen property.

Sergeant Chay Siu Tong (now O.R. Sgt.), and P.Os. Ohua Man Chan, Wong Tai Kow (now both Sergeants) and P.O. Ip Kwan of the H.K.P.R. Ambulance Platoon are commended by the Hon. C.S.P. for seal and alertness in turning out to attend a poisoning case at Nos. 2 and 9 Praya West, Kennedy Town, on the 18th February last.

P.Os. 233 Harry Loo and 224 Lennig Kam Hung are highly commended by the Hon. C.S.P. for their intelligent and plucky action in effecting the arrest of two snatchers in Kan U Fong on the 20th July, 1916.

After making the above presentation, the Hon. C.S.P., called on P. O. Soares, and said he was sorry that a little red tape had prevented his name from being on the list. It had now been brought to his notice that he (P. O. Soares) did extremely good work in the Ribeiro case, and it was mainly through his action that the case was brought before the Courts. He regretted that the constable's name had been forgotten, but he had great pleasure in presenting him with a bar.

The proceedings were brought to a close by the Hon. C.S.P. taking the salute.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

HOURS OF RELAXATION.

(To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—Under the above heading I would you be so kind as to grant me a little space in your well-known paper for the insertion of a few suggestions with reference to the forthcoming new regulations which will be issued and enforced, as stated by the Chinese dailies.

I take the liberty to write you these lines in order that the "powers that be"—Hon. The Secretary for Chinese and the Chinese J. P.'s. (the majority of the latter read English papers)—may take the suggestions of a humble woman into consideration, before the regulations restricting the hours of relaxation are launched forth.

Before I proceed further into the subject, I would you, dear Mr. Editor, know what kind of a woman I am. I am a woman who have travelled much. I have had my abode in big cities, many years ago, in such places as Fricco, Sydney and London (the East End). During my sojourn from time to time in these places, I have often mixed freely with Europeans and people of other nationalities, and courtesies due to my sex were invariably accorded me by all classes of people.

I was married abroad and my good man took me back to China soon after the revolution, for he informed me that China was going to be highly civilized; the gentler sex will be kindly treated; and, what's more, will be placed on an equal footing with men. These were the inducements that made me consent to coming back to the East. We took along with us from her school our only daughter, "Little Moonshine," a girl just then entering into her teens. Shortly after our arrival in China, my husband married to find work in this Colony at \$75 per month, and I could also every month contribute \$25 earned by my needle. With the sum of \$100 we jogged along quite comfortably with a small margin for the education of our girl as well as for a little luxuries.

We could not of course at any time afford to give dinner parties and motor-car rides to our friends. Ordinarily on occasions we could, however, treat our friends to a cheap restaurant dinner and invite them to an entertainment at the "movies" afterwards. But during this summer we have found it very convenient to "tram" to such harmless resorts as the "Ye-jeun," "Chang-yuen," "Tai-pek-lau" and the "Sincere Terrace" where we amuse ourselves and, at the same time, take some fresh air. The expenses for all these are not beyond our means. But, oh, goodness, altho' the hot season is drawing to a close, we women are not allowed to go to the above-named places anymore, in the evening! For fear of our catching cold, I suppose. Fancy this, dear Mr. Editor, is not this a shame? I appeal to that class of your readers, the Chinese J. P.'s, in the hope that they may speak up for us, for few of us have a back garden to walk about, much less can we find the wherewithal to pay for a motor-car ride for an airing.

And then think of those, whose husbands bring back for house-keeping purposes something less than \$20 per month, and in many cases the paterfamilias himself does not knock off work till very much after 5 p.m. I ask, is it fair to prohibit all womenfolk to attend such places? What an insult to mothers, sisters and daughters to think that we are not able to behave, and to take care of ourselves, while we are out on a little enjoyment! There is a saying among us Chinese, "Coop up your own chickens and leave the eagles alone." What does this saying signify?

For the good of the Colony, may I suggest that all who can afford to take and support concubines or, to put it genteelly, "secondary wives," be taxed according to his position in life, such tax collected to go towards

ILL-TREATING A GIRL.

A Serious Case at the Magistracy.

A young girl, apparently about eight or nine years of age, stood weeping in Court at the Magistracy this morning, whilst her mistress, a well-dressed Chinese woman, was in Court charged with beating the girl.

Inspector Kent said the little girl was found yesterday, wandering at West Point, with a bundle of clothes, the woman having put her out of doors. On August 29, the woman beat the girl most unmercifully, her back being a mass of bruises. Her fingers, too, were out and there were other marks on her face and head. The woman used a stick.

Defendant's story was that the girl had been ill and was in hospital some time, the doctor ordering her not to drink any cold water. When the girl came out, she stole cold water several times, and, although warned about it, continued to drink it. In order to reprimand the girl, she beat her with a rattan cane, but did not mean to beat her as much as she had done. She was very sorry and would not do it again.

Mr. J. R. Wood said he took a serious view of the case, but would like to know what Mr. Hallifax, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, was going to do with the girl, before he dealt with the woman.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts advise us that the Langkat output is as follows:—

August	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	Total to 30th inst.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	3,613

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the upkeep of a public garden well provided with refreshment rooms to work on the ready cash system. To defray the initial expenses for acquiring a suitable site and the putting up of a building, I would propose that a certain percentage of the bargain money be imposed before the would-be concubine be taken away for good from her poor parent's home.

Believe me,
Yours truly,
JUDY AH SIN.

Hongkong, 30th August, 1916.

P.S.—Pardon me for signing myself by the familiar English name Judy. Judith was the name given me by my saintly school-mistress, but my husband would persist in calling me by this English name abbreviated. He gives me as an excuse that since by this name I can always recall the good time I had in school, I should at all times when called by this same name, remember the sound principles that were taught me when at school. One of the principles I learnt was "The love of money is the root of evil." The Right Reverend Bishop of Victoria took this text for his sermon last Sunday. Now may our Secretary for Chinese Affairs be not imposed upon and innocently inveigled into meddling with women's rights by certain interested parties.—J. A. S.

SHANGHAI SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. A. L. Anderson and Co.'s Weekly Share Circular (Shanghai, 26th August) says:—

Buyers have been of a somewhat more generous mood and the consequent advance in prices has induced a little more business than has been transacted for some time past. This remark applies almost equally all down the list and it would seem as if clients had suddenly remembered the old Shanghai maxim "Buy in August and sell in December." To-day's opening rate for T/T on London was 2/11½; dollar rate being 72.35.

Debentures.—Several fair sized lines have been marketed at prices unchanged or showing a small improvement: the current Municipal loan is moving off more quickly.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai. An improvement to \$737 took place early in the week and \$740 is now offered in two or three places. Cathays. 'Ordinary' have been subject to a strong demand; private sales have been made at improving prices culminating with sales and buyers at 3 at close.

Marine Insurance.—No quotations were made under this heading, but North Chinas are still in request at 155 and Yangtses could be placed at \$28. Shipping.—Shanghai Tag 'Ordinary' sold at 18 and 17½ is offered for more shares without inducing business; 'Preferences' are wanted at 50. Koochies. A healthy crop of rumours appreciated the price from 18 to 25 buyers and it is said that even Tis. 30 has been refused. We are informed that the company has not been approached with an offer for their fleet, and the only grounds which we can discover for the rumours are that a Japanese engineer has recently been seen looking sideways at one of the company's lighters.

Mining.—Kaiping sold at 10 and possibly a few more shares could be placed at that.

Docks and Engineerings.—Shanghai Docks have improved from 68 last week to a sale at 72 with further buyers at 74. New Engineerings have constantly changed hands at a steady 10½.

Lancs and Hotels.—Anglo-French are enquired for at 94, and Investments at 82.

Cotton Mills.—A general desire to buy is evident and with shares in hand higher rates than those quoted would probably be obtainable.

Industrials.—Langkats were the medium of business at 26½ and 26¼, and a small deal in Samatras was made at 155.

Rubbers.—The prices given for 'business done during the week' are sufficient comment on the small but steady rise of all counters, and given an upward or even steady quotation from London it would certainly appear that we shall see higher prices within the next fortnight. Ayer Tawah. A third interim of Tl. 1 is declared payable on 15th prox.

Bates. An interim of .05 is payable on 15th prox. Senawang. A first interim of Tl. 0.50 is to be paid on 5th prox.

Miscellaneous.—Telephones sold at 90 and more are wanted. Gas were bargained at 25 and 27½. Constructions sold at 88 with further buyers.

Honours for the 5th Light Infantry.

The following is taken from the Gazette of India, Army Department:—July 14, 1916, No. 793.—The Governor-General in Council is pleased to sanction the award of the Indian Distinguished Service Medal to the under-mentioned for gallantry in field:—Jemadar Rahmat Khan, 5th Light Infantry, No. 1073. Colour Havildar Ajmeri, 5th Light Infantry, No. 1915 Sepoy Munasab Khan, 5th Light Infantry, No. 2128 Sepoy Fais Mahammad Khan, 5th Light Infantry, No. 2725 Sepoy Maseo Khan, 5th Light Infantry. In connection with the above, it may be observed that Jemadar Rahmat Khan was promoted to that rank from Havildar for good services rendered during the mutiny in Singapore in 1915.

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O. H. RITTER, Agent. Hongkong, August 31st, 1916.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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MOJI and Kobe ...	Nikko Maru Capt. Tateda T. 9,600	FRI., 13th Oct. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama ...	Ceylon Maru Capt. Tejda T. 10,000	SUNDAY, 10th Sept.
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SHANGHAI.....	Anhui	3rd Sept. at d'light.
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LOG BOOK.

Not Up to the Mark.

The two new Chungking
steamers which have been built
for the private account of some
of the directors of the Fzechuan
Railway, have been lying below
the Arsenal for the past five
weeks, the vessels having failed
to attain the speed, or keep
sufficient steam, for the journey
over the rapids.—Shipping and
Engineering.

British and Argentine Co.

For the year ending March 31,
the net profits of the British and
Argentine S. N. Co. show an in-
crease over the previous year of
£10,103. The dividend declared
was 5 per cent. The chairman
remarked that during the war the
company and its associated lines
had carried for the use of the
country and its allies over
600,000,000lb. weight of meat.

Philippine Ship-Owners'
Difficulties.

The operators of vessels engaged
in the inter-island trade can-
not raise their minimum freight
charge of P1 to P1.50 as a result
of the authority recently granted
by the Board of Public Utilities
commissioners for a flat increase
totaling 50 per cent. in all freight
and first class passenger rates,
according to a decision handed
down by the board in passing upon
a complaint filed against Messrs.
Ynchausti and Company by Mr.
Henry Becker, the owner of a
cinematograph at Aparri, Caza-
yan, says the Manila "Daily
Bulletin" of August 22. It ap-
pears that when the shipowners
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in rates by the board, no effort
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mum charge, which was fixed,
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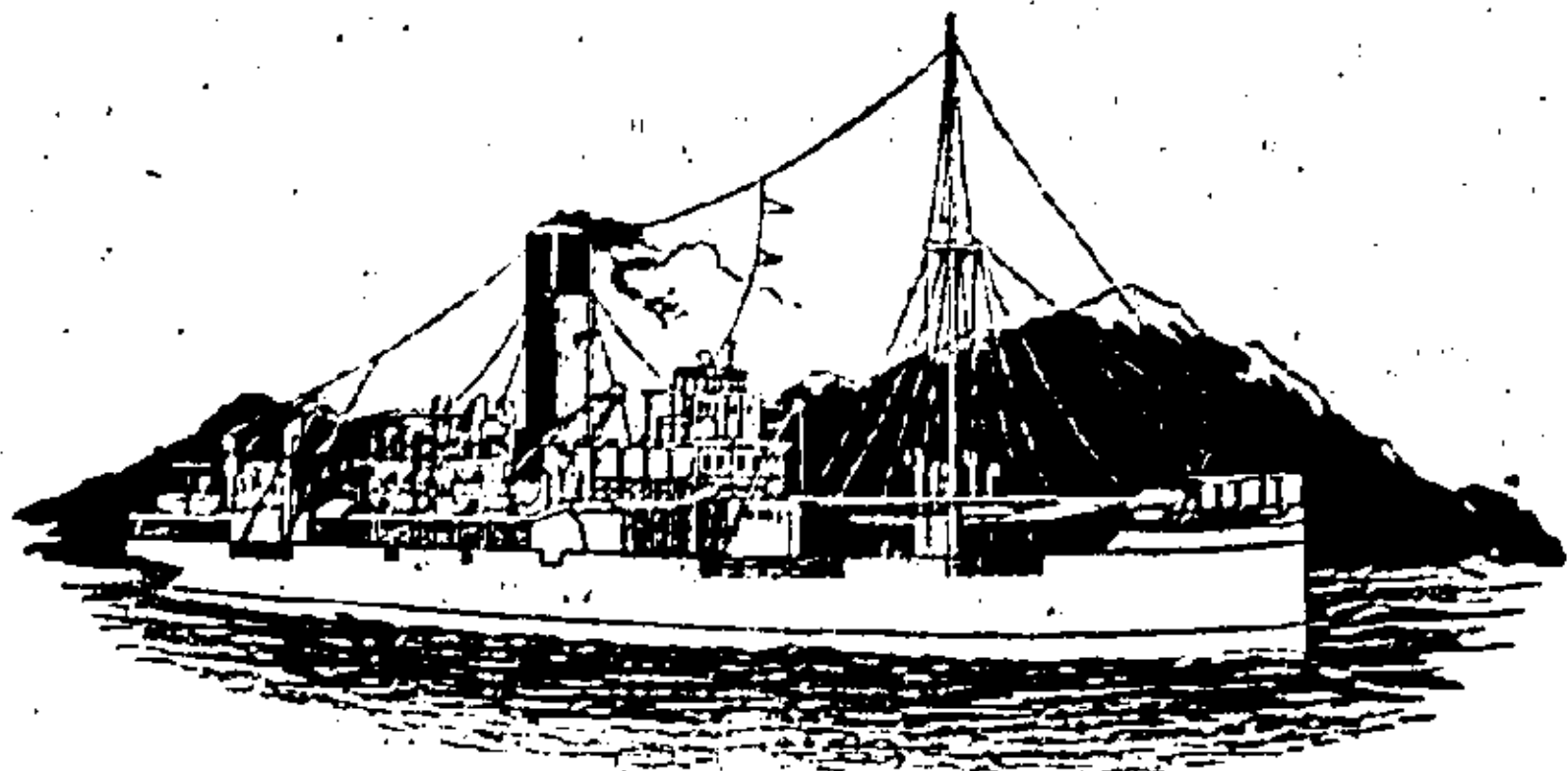
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London via the Cape	C. of Norwich	B. L. Ltd.	5, Sept.
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London via Cape Town	Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	7, Sept.
London via Ports	Malta	P. & O.	8, Sept.
Genoa and London	Glenlyle	S. T. & Co.	9, Sept.
Genoa, London and Hull	Glenlogan	S. T. & Co.	16, Sept.
London via Ports	Namur	P. & O.	22, Sept.
London via Cape Town	Miyasaki	M. N. Y. K.	21, Sept.
Liverpool via Ports	Kt. Compion	B. & S.	27, Sept.
London, via Cape Town	Kitano M.	N. Y. K.	5, Oct.

NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA

New York via Japan & Panama	Tokiwa M.	N. Y. K.	1, Sept.
Victoria B.C. and Seattle	Ythama M.	N. Y. K.	1, Sept.
San Francisco via Japan	China	C. M. S. S.	5, Sept.
Vancouver via Japan	E. of Russia	C. P. O. S.	6, Sept.
Monteagle	C. P. O. S.	8, Sept.	
Havana and New York	Enrymachus	B. & S.	8, Sept.
San Francisco via Japan	Arakan	J. C. J. L.	11, Sept.
Seattle	Protesilaus	B. & S.	19, Sept.
Victoria B.C. & Seattle	Sado M.	N. Y. K.	19, Sept.
Vancouver via Japan	E. of Japan	C. P. O. S.	20, Sept.
San Francisco via Manila	Perseus	M. N. Y. K.	21, Sept.
South American Ports	Anjo M.	T. K. K.	21, Sept.
Victoria B.C., via Japan	Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	11, Oct.

AUSTRALIA.

Australia via Manila	Tango M.	N. Y. K.	12, Sept.
Australia via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	4, Oct.
Australia via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	13, Oct.

SINGAPORE, INDIA, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.

Shanghai	Singkiang	B. & S.	31, Aug.
Tientsin via Weihaiwei	Huichow	B. & S.	31, Aug.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	D. L. Co.	31, Aug.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	D. L. & Co.	1, Sept.
Kobe	Tijboda	J. C. J. L.	1, Sept.
Amoy and Shanghai	Tjikini	J. C. J. L.	1, Sept.
Moji and Kobe	Kinsang	J. M. Co.	2, Sept.
Singapore and Sourabaya	Chunseag	J. M. Co.	2, Sept.
Sandakan	Hinsang	J. M. Co.	2, Sept.
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. Co.	2, Sept.
Shanghai and Japan	Demodocus	B. & S.	2, Sept.
Shanghai, Japan & Vladivostok	Machoon	B. & S.	2, Sept.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	3, Sept.
Shanghai	Luchow	B. & S.	3, Sept.
Shanghai	Anhui	B. & S.	3, Sept.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Taksang	J. M. Co.	3, Sept.
Haiphong	Sunkiang	B. & S.	3, Sept.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Laisang	J. M. Co.	3, Sept.
Shanghai	Namur	P. & O.	4, Sept.
Moji and Kobe	Totomi M.	N. Y. K.	4, Sept.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Taming	B. & S.	5, Sept.
Shanghai and Japan	Perseus	B. & S.	7, Sept.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Bombay M.	N. Y. K.	7, Sept.
Weihaiwei and Tientsin	Cheoshing	J. M. Co.	7, Sept.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haibong	D. L. & Co.	8, Sept.
Amoy and Shanghai	Tjimanook	J. C. J. L.	8, Sept.
Manila	Titan	B. & S.	9, Sept.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	9, Sept.
Calcutta via Ports	Ceylon M.	N. Y. K.	10, Sept.
Bombay via Singapore	Yotorofu M.	N. Y. K.	10, Sept.
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	10, Sept.
Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Teirosias	B. & S.	11, Sept.
Bombay via Singapore	Penang M.	N. Y. K.	11, Sept.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Sardina	P. & O.	11, Sept.
Shanghai and Japan	Colombo M.	N. Y. K.	13, Sept.
Calcutta via Ports	Tosa M.	N. Y. K.	16, Sept.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Hirano M.	N. Y. K.	17, Sept.
Shanghai and Japan	Glaucus	B. & S.	20, Sept.
Bombay via Singapore	Totomi M.	N. Y. K.	25, Sept.
Manila	Titan	B. & S.	1, Oct.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged
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No claims will be admitted
after the goods have left the
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Steamers:

Yotorofu M. Jap. a.s. 2997, Ogura, 11th Aug. Singapore, 4th Aug. Gen.	N. Y. K.
Hanji, Fr. a.s. 74, Mowat, 18th Aug.	B. & S.
B. & S. 18th Aug. Gen. Marty.	
Kumchow, Br. Martin, 18th Aug.	
Taiwan, Br. a.s. 577, Matthews, 19th Aug. Hongkong, 16th Aug. Coal.	J. M. & Co.
Ilauot, Br. a.s. 1276, Smith, 21st Aug.	Penang.
Ca. Michael & Clarke	
Tong ong, Br. a.s. 1314, Pryor, 21st Aug.	B. & S.
B. & S. 17th Aug. 1st Aug. Chinese.	
Hinsang, Br. a.s. 1855, Kennedy, 23rd Aug. Sandakan, 18th Aug. Timber	J. M. & Co.
Chenghi, Br. a.s. 1338, Speed, 24th Aug.	B. & S.
B. & S. 14th Aug. Rice. B. & S.	
Szechuan, Br. a.s. 1150, Pascoe, 24th Aug. Swatow, 23rd Aug. Samah	B. & S.
Yokohama M. Jap. a.s. 3817, Shimoda, 26th Aug. Shanghai, 23rd Aug. Gen.	N. Y. K.
Hongkong, Fr. a.s. 928, Marguerite, 26th Aug. Hongkong, 25th Aug. Gen.	A. R. Marty.
Tjikini, Dut. a.s. 2891, Lap, 25th Aug.	B. & S.
B. & S. 16th Aug. Gen. J. C. J. L.	
Mauwau, Br. a.s. 1644, Ale, 27th Aug. Sandakan, 22nd Aug. Timber	J. M. & Co.
Tjiboda, Dut. a.s. 4645, Kroes, 27th Aug.	B. & S.
Kenchow, Br. a.s. 1221, Lewis, 28th Aug.	B. & S.
B. & S. 22nd Aug. Rice. B. & S.	
Pheumphen, Br. a.s. 1165, Major, 28th Aug. Saigon, Rice. Chinese.	B. & S.
Sinkang, Br. a.s. 1816, Benson, 28th Aug.	B. & S.
Aug. 24th Aug. Gen. B. & S.	
Yuensang, Br. a.s. 1182, Mearns, 28th Aug. Manila, 25th Aug. Gen. J. M.	J. M. & Co.
Chihli, Br. a.s. 1149, Lloyd, 29th Aug.	B. & S.
Weihsien, 22nd Aug. Gen. B. & S.	
Kwangai, Br. a.s. 1335, Stewart, 29th Aug. Shanghai, 25th Aug. Gen.	C. M. S. N. Co.
Laisang, Br. a.s. Nichol, 29th Aug. Kobe, 22nd Aug. Gen. J. M. & Co.	
Forching, Br. a.s. 1421, Hay, 29th Aug.	B. & S.
Pasceon, 19th Aug. Sugar. J. M.	J. M. & Co.
Haimun, Br. a.s. 641, Russell, 30th Aug.	B. & S.
B. & S. 24th Aug. Rice. Order.	
Haiching, Br. a.s. 1367, Passmore, 30th Aug. Swatow, 29th Aug. Gen.	D. L. & Co.
Taksang, Br. a.s. 977, Matthews, 30th Aug.	B. & S.
Hoihow, 29th Aug. Gen. J. M.	J. M. & Co.

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Hongkong, 30th August, 1916.

VESSELS DUE.

Agents.	Vessel's Name.	Ton- nage.	Date Due.	From.
G. M. S.S.	China		Aug. 31	San Francisco.
N. Y. K.	Tenshin Maru	8,000	Aug. 31	Kobe
N. Y. K.	Geylon Maru	10,000	Aug. 31	Yokohama
B. & S.	Demodocus	6,649	Sept. 1	Liverpool
B. & S.	Machoon	6,737	Sept. 1	Liverpool
S. T. & Co.	Aymeric		Sept. 1	New York
P. & O.	Namur		Sept. 2	London
B. & S.	Titan		Sept. 2	Kuchinotzu
P. & O.	Banca		Sept. 4	Bombay
B. & S.	Perseus	6,718	Sept. 5	Liverpool
N. Y. K.	Iyo Maru	12,500	Sept. 6	Yokohama
J. C. J. L.	Tjimanook		Sept. 6	Java
P. & O.	Malta		Sept. 7	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Yotorofu Maru	8,000	Sept. 8	Kobe
P. & O.	Sardina		Sept. 9	Bombay
N. Y. K.	Penang Maru	9,000	Sept. 9	Kobe
B. & S.	Teirosias	7,005	Sept. 10	Liverpool
N. Y. K.	Sado Maru	12,570	Sept. 10	America
V. Y. K.	Tango Maru	14,500	Sept. 11	Yokohama
B. & S.	Protesilaus	9,547	Sept. 12	Manila
J. L. & Co.	Eastern		Sept. 16	Australia
B. & S.	Glaucus		Sept. 19	Liverpool
V. Y. K.	Miyazaki Maru	16,000	Sept. 20	Yokohama
P. & O.	Namur		Sept. 21	Kobe
B. & S.	Ixion		Sept. 27	Seattle
J. L. & Co.	St. Albans	10,210	Oct. 21	Australia

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The P. & O. s.s. NAMUR left Singa-
pore for this Port on the 28th inst. at

evening with the Outward English Mail,
and is due here on the 3rd Proximo at

about noon.

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Yangtzeespoes.	b. T	5.00.
Cements.	b. \$	2.50.
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PAKHOI NOTES.

The Salonica of China.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Pakhoi, August 25.

It is openly discussed in the town that three foreign steamers have already landed war material and funds in the vicinity of Nam Chow, since the commencement of the present revolutionary movement. This place is about fifty miles to the north-west of this port. A Southern Republic is said to be in sight.

Traffic in Annamite Children.

A Chinese who has been a foreign domestic servant in this port for the last twenty years has recently been arrested here for trafficking in Annamite children. Batches of boys and girls have been brought from Annam by him, by native junk, where they can be bought for three to four dollars a head. There is a ready sale here for the girls, who fetch thirty to forty dollars a head according to age. They are dressed in Chinese clothes and are delivered on board the junk anchored in the harbour. Annamite boys are not in demand here, and it is said they are taken on to Hongkong and beyond. The French Authorities have taken up this affair.

The following no doubt is connected with the foregoing:—"Women and children are prohibited from leaving this port by steamer except by special permit issued by the native Authorities here." This law I know has been in operation for the last twenty years, and is a very profitable business for those who are permitted to take part in it. Certain shops in the town are permitted to send in applications for those permits charging a fee to the applicant from five dollars upwards.

A Chinese has recently been discovered using forged chops of the above-mentioned shops, and charging twelve dollars per permit. He must have been dealing in shady cases at this price. However, he has managed to escape thereby saving his own skin, and no doubt the skins of some others. This law no doubt in the first instance was made to protect kidnapped women and children from being taken away from the port. It appears to have developed into a profitable business affair as well. The Chinese are always finding ways and means to defy the law, and it would have been to the benefit of the pockets of the people if this had never been made.

The Silver Dollar.

A premium of eighteen per cent in small silver coins is at present being freely offered for dollar coins. Even at this high rate they cannot be obtained locally, as there appears to be a famine. The Customs here demand this coin in payment of revenue, it is the only coin acceptable, and I understand they transmit the revenue to Hongkong or some other place. The salaries of the Customs employees are paid in dollar coins, and there is a big demand for them on pay day. The export of dollar coins from Hongkong is prohibited except in small quantities. Certain foreign bank notes are always in demand here, and it is safe to say a fairly large number could be circulated at present.

Kailan Output.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending August 19 amounted to 43,555 tons and the sale during the period, to 32,038 tons.

THE I.C.S. EXHIBIT.

Of Interest to Hongkong's Young Men.

As will be seen from an advertisement elsewhere, the International Correspondence Schools are at present holding an Exhibit at the Old Post Office Building in Pedder Street. These schools, as is probably not generally known, are making special efforts just now in preparing our young people for the great industrial struggle which is sure to follow the present war. Realising the steps which the enemy is taking to mobilise its entire economic resources for that time, when it comes, the I.C.S. has as its particular objective, war on German trade in the British Empire. In this direction the future of the Schools lies, and it aims at playing an important part in this colossal task of national reconstruction.

Apart from the splendid services which have been rendered by the I.C.S. in helping to win the war—such as the sending of whole companies of its students to the front, and the training of large numbers of aerial scouts—it has been decided to place the whole of its resources at the disposal of the Government and to carry on such educational work as is possible among the young people of the Empire in the present critical times. Examples of what has been done in this latter direction have been provided by the special munitions courses, which have been of great aid in speeding up the manufacture of the sinews of war, and in the special courses for women which have been prepared for those who have taken up technical training in order to release men for the front.

The main idea of the Schools is to train and fit young men for better appointments than they are holding, and a visit to the Exhibit in Pedder Street will give callers an opportunity of becoming acquainted with I.C.S. methods.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D.S.P. (Reserve) state:—

Band and Orchestra.

Practices for Month of September at 6 p.m.

Band.—Friday September 1st; Friday, September 8th; Tuesday, September 12th; Friday, September 15th; Tuesday, September 19th; Tuesday, September 26th; Friday, September 29th.

Orchestra.—Monday, September 11th; Thursday, September 21st; Monday, September 25th.

No. 2 Company.

All ranks, excepting only medical exemptions, will fall under the O.C. Company at the Central Police Station at 9 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5th. Uniform, Caps with Covers, and Rifles. Two Band will attend.

Parades Central Station.

Monday, Sept. 4th.—Men detailed from No. 2 Platoon, as per previous orders, 5.45 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 5th. Whole of No. 4 Company under Chief Inspector Mason and O. S. Major 5.45 p.m.

Lectures Headquarters Club.

Monday, Sept. 4th.—Government Analyst on "Chinese Bombs and other explosives" open to all Inspectors and Sergeants and Patrolmen of one year's service.

Discipline and Routine.

All ranks, including Patrolmen, will attend at the Victoria Theatre at 5.40 p.m. punctually on Thursday, September 7th. Uniform, with Helmets on Caps, but without Rifles.

First Shift Patrolmen will proceed to their Stations at the conclusion of the Lecture which will be delivered on this occasion. Second Shift Patrolmen will report for duty as usual.

Medical exemptions only may

absent themselves. Men will report to their Section, etc. Commanders outside the Theatre.

All Roll Books to be handed to Sergeant Major at 5.45 p.m.

A CHINESE GRIEVANCE.

Unpopular Action by District Watch Members.

As we stated yesterday, a good deal of discontent is felt among many of the Chinese at a report to the effect that certain places of entertainment are to be closed to women after five o'clock in the afternoon. The places in question are the Happy Retreat, the roof garden of the Sincere Company's building, Tai Pak Lau at Kennedy Town and Sun Cheong Yuen near Wong Nei Cheong.

Upon enquiry we find that a recommendation has recently been forwarded to the Government by certain members of the Chinese District Watch Committee, asking that the above-named places should be limited as to the hours during which women could be admitted. The members of the Committee who were in favour of the recommendation alleged that the resorts in question were visited by women of bad or doubtful character and that, in addition, a good deal of "spooning" took place there. The motion was, we are informed, introduced by Mr. Ho Kim-tong and supported by the Hon. Mr. Lau Che-pak and Mr. Chan Kai-ming.

We have discussed the matter with various representative Chinese and, while one or two are quite in favour of the motion, the majority seem to be strongly opposed to it and regard it as an unwarrantable act of interference. They point out that women of bad character are to be found in most places of entertainment—the world-over, and that the percentage of those frequenting the Happy Retreat is an exceedingly low one. They claim the place is used by large numbers of perfectly respectable folk who see no harm in taking their womenkind there during the evening. They also allege that the outcry against this particular resort merely arose because certain influential Chinese were "chafed" by some young fellows occupying the next table.

It is pointed out also that, should the Government allow itself to be influenced by the resolution, a serious injustice would be done to the proprietors of these places. They instance the Happy Retreat, in which large sums have been invested. Here, they say, the bulk of the business done is between the hours of six and nine in the evening, and they urge that if men are not to be allowed to take their womenfolk with them, they themselves will keep away. In this particular case, we understand, the proprietors have a three years' lease, two and a quarter of which still have to run. The monthly rent is no less than \$350 and a good deal of business is needed to make this up. Every one we are assured, has been taken to avoid all objectionable behaviour on the part of persons visiting the spot. The opponents of the District Watch members also say that, up till now, the owners of the places to which exception has been taken have been given no opportunity of defending themselves.

SHANGHAI PAINTERS' STRIKE.

Complaint of Subsidiary Coinage.

A strike was declared by the painters of Shanghai yesterday says the N. C. Daily News of August 25. The cause of the strike is the depreciation and shrinkage of purchasing power of the small currency—another argument in favour of a standard municipal coinage. Painters in Hongkong were the first to go out, and unless the dispute about wages, which has been brewing for some time between masters and workmen, is settled overnight, painting and decorating work throughout Shanghai may be suspended to-day.

The workmen, it is understood, have been paid at the rate of 360 cash a day, in other words 36 coppers, which at the present rate of 1,400 cash to a Mexican dollar is equivalent to about 26 cents "big money." The workmen are demanding, instead of 36 copper cents, 36 "big dollar" cents. This means that they are demanding about nine extra coppers for each day's work, claiming that they can no longer live on their present wages when the cost of living has advanced to such an extent.

BOY'S TERRIBLE ORDEAL.

Bombed by British and Germans.

One of the most extraordinary experience of the woodland fighting north of the Somme was that of an English boy who now lies in a field hospital smiling with very bright and sparkling eyes because the world seems to him like Paradise after an infernal dwelling-place.

He went with the first rush of men into Mametz Wood, but was left behind in a dug-out when they retired before a violent counter-attack.

Some German soldiers passed this hole where the boy lay crouched, and flung a bomb down on the off-chance that an English soldier might be there. It burst on the lower steps and wounded the lonely boy in the dark corner.

He lay there a day listening to the crash of shells through the trees overhead—English shell fire—not daring to come out. Then in the night he heard the voices of his own countrymen, and he shouted loudly.

But as the English soldiers passed they threw a bomb into the dug-out, and the boy was wounded again. He lay there another day, and the gunfire began all over again, and lasted until the Germans came back. Another German soldier saw the old hole and threw a bomb down, as a safe thing to do, and the boy received his third wound.

He lay in the darkness one more day, not expecting to live, but still alive, still eager to live and to see the light again. If only the English would come again and rescue him!

He prayed for them to come, and when they came, capturing the wood completely and finally, one of them, seeing the entrance to the dug-out, and thinking Germans might be hiding there, threw a bomb down—and the boy was wounded for the fourth time.

This time his cries were heard, and (adds Mr. Philip Gibbs in the Daily Chronicle) the monotonous repetition of this ill-luck ended, and the victim of it lies in a white bed with wonderful shining eyes.

GERMANY'S OBJECT.

Wants A Start in After the War Race.

The attitude taken by Mr. R. P. Houston, M.P., all through the war has been a consistent one, and in a recent interview he pointed out that he had always claimed that Germany should be made to pay for her action in sinking British, Allied, and neutral ships by taking from her the equivalent of the tonnage destroyed. Germany's object all the way through has been to destroy or to set up a blockade which should put her in a comparatively favourable position at the end of the war.

"In addition to advocating that we should make our claim on Germany," he continued, "I was also first to suggest that Italy and Portugal should requisition the tonnage of enemy vessels interned, and this has now been done. I may add that in my opinion I should not be surprised if there was a recrudescence of German submarine activities in the sinking of merchant vessels, and it may be well if Germany understood that as a result of her action in sinking our ships she must replace them."

In other quarters it was thought that a straightforward declaration of policy on the whole question would quickly bring German opinion to bear upon the point as to whether it was worth while to put into pawn such tonnage as was left over when the balance of sunk ships had been made up. The unanimous opinion was that a decision bluntly announced in the proper quarters would find an immediate and favourable response from the opposite side. It was equally emphatically stated that the demand must be made at once.

A HISTORIC INCIDENT.

The Charge of Dragoons and Decan Horse.

The historic charge of the British and Indian cavalry is described by Mr. Philip Gibbs in the Daily Telegraph as follows:—

"It was at about six o'clock in the evening that some British cavalry came into action. They were the men whom I had seen on my way up to the battlefield, a small detachment of the Dragoon Guards and also of the Decan Horse. They worked forward with our infantry on a stretch of country between Basentin Wood and Delville Wood, rising up to High Wood, and then rode out alone in reconnaissance, in true cavalry formation, with the commander in the rear.

"Lord! Not one in a thousand would have believed it possible to see this again. When they passed the infantry went a little wild and cheered wildly and joyously, as though these men were riding on a road of triumph.

"So they rode on into open country, skirting Delville Wood. Presently a machine gun opened fire upon them. It was in a cornfield, with German infantry, and the officer in command gave the order to his men to ride through the enemy.

"The Dragoons put their lances down and rode straight into the wheat. They killed several men, and then turned and rode back, and charged again, among scattered groups of German infantry. Some of them prepared to withstand the charge with fixed bayonets.

Enemy Cling to Saddles.

"Others were panic-stricken, and ran forward crying, 'Pity! Pity!' and clung to the saddles and stirrup-leathers of the Dragoon Guards. Though on a small scale, it was a cavalry action of the old style, the first on the Western front since October of the first year of the war.

"With thirty-two prisoners they rode on slowly, still reconnoitring the open country on the skirt of Delville Wood, until they came again under machine gun fire and drew back.

"As they did so an aeroplane came overhead, skimming very low, at no more than 300 feet above ground. The cavalry turned in their saddles to stare at it for a moment or two, believing that it was a hostile machine.

Machine-gun from Above.

"But no bullets came their way, and in another moment it stopped over the German infantry concealed in the wheat and fired at them with a machine-gun. Four times it circled and stopped, and fired, creating another panic among the enemy, and then flew off leaving the cavalry full of admiration for this daring feat.

"They could ride no further, owing to the nature of the ground, and that night they dug themselves in. German guns searched in vain for them, and the cavalry to-night is full of pride for their day may come again."

MISSING SIBERIAN MAIL.

So regularly have the Siberian mails been running since the beginning of the war, that the total failure of any letters to arrive since August 14 naturally occasions much comment (says the N. C. Daily News of August 25). From July 21 to the end of the month telegrams of vessels lost contain references to two Norwegian sailing vessels sunk and one Norwegian steamer captured, the latter being in the Sound, where no Bergen mail carrier would go. It seems very improbable that if one of the Newcastle-Bergen line steamers had failed to arrive in Bergen, any time in the last 10 days of July, someone of the fact would not by now have reached the Far East. Since the beginning of the war, some thousands of voyages have been performed by these steamers without mishap, and, as they constitute a very obvious mark, the inference that the Germans deliberately let them alone is not unreasonable. Of course there is danger of a mine, but for this the Bergen-Newcastle route lies very far north. On the whole, the explanation that the mail bags have accidentally been held up in London, and will arrive by next Monday at latest, seems the most probable.

SUN YAT-SEN.

His Views on Local Government.

Hongchow, Aug. 24.—When Dr. Sun Yat-sen was here the other day he delivered an oration in the Hangchow Assembly Hall, of which I give a translation.

"To-day I went to the South High Peak where I commanded a glorious view of various scenes. I am sorry to say that because of meeting with heavy rain on the way I am a little late. Pray excuse me for keeping you waiting so long here. I am very glad indeed to come to Hangchow and see you all once more, and I am extremely grateful for your welcome and for holding this meeting. Chekiang is considered the first province of South China, both as regards population and financially. Just now despotism has been overturned and the Republic has been set up anew, so in taking hold of this opportunity we must reform all the political affairs of Chekiang. If one province is reformed and well ruled, then all the others will imitate it, and regard it as a pattern, and so the entire nation will gradually become civilised. Being asked to speak on the problem of 'local government,' I must go along that line.

As to self-government, it is the foundation of a country, and if the foundation is stable, the country is surely standing in the position of safety and incorruptibility. Both of the Republic of the United States and France are considered the best in the world. China should also imitate them along that line.

Methods of Local Government.

Now we may mention one of the methods of 'local government.' Take the West Lake of Hangchow, for example, which is the best known place in China. Suppose we can borrow one hundred million dollars from foreign countries to construct new roads and buildings, then the land that costs usually say one hundred dollars, will rise in price to one thousand. By means of the interest received we can pay back the foreign loans and interest, and moreover, we can obtain more income besides the said payments, because we can, over and above, collect taxes of the land from the owners. Each landowner should himself give a report as to how officials could make a record of it. If the land is said to cost one thousand dollars, then the owner should be taxed ten dollars, etc. But supposing the landowner thinks that he can decrease his tax by undervaluing his land, then the officials should purchase the land at his own valuation and make it public property. And if the landowner overestimates his land so that he may get a high price from others, then the official may tax him according to the price he estimates. Thus, the government will not lose anything whether the people overestimate or underestimate their land.

The Example of Shanghai.

However, if the people assess the price of their lands justly, then there will be no loss to them either in paying taxes or selling out their land. Those systems and items mentioned above with some others should be first of all enacted, passed and constituted, through the provincial assembly, so that they may be published and executed before long. Formerly, Shanghai was a lonely desert, but after the divers and repairs, reformation, and construction by the foreign traders, it grew to be an attractive place and the focus of commerce until now it has become a model of municipal government to the whole of China. Also, Tientsin, Hankow, Hongkong, and some other ports have all well succeeded in imitating it one after another. Now, then, the West Lake of Hangchow is lovely with its natural beautiful scenery, but by the addition of constructive works, and human labour, and by establishing intercourse, roads, water power and factories, etc., it will become, I am sure, one of the famous places in the world, in a few years time. As to the local government of other districts and places in this province, they will take the West Lake as their pattern. And it will be the same with other provinces; one will reform the other. N.C. Daily News.

THE PEAK TIGER.

Seen Chasing a Deer.

The Police have been informed that a lady who is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Clark, of 165, The Peak, was with a Chinese gardener just before nine o'clock this morning—near the tennis court when they saw what they thought to be a tiger chasing a deer. The lady returned to the house and reported the matter, and, in the meantime, the animal had disappeared.

Speaking to Mr. Duncan Clark this afternoon, the Telegraph was informed that there can be no possible doubt as to the presence of a tiger on the Peak this time. He said that the lady friend, who is staying at the house—Mrs. King, of Shanghai—went out on the tennis court at about 8.30 this morning, having the gardener with her. She had not been out long when she heard a deer bark or scream, and, turning round, she saw a small deer running in the grass close by. Immediately behind it was a large tiger, creeping swiftly through the grass. She just had time to see its back before it had disappeared. Needless to say, the gardener had by this time taken to his heels, and Mrs. King was left alone. The gardener could scarcely be induced to go to the spot again, even for some time after.

Mr. Clark added that there were a large number of deer on the Peak at the present time and thought that if some steps were not taken the Colony would be overrun with them and so offer an inducement to tigers to come over from the mainland in search of food.

The Colonial Secretary, whose house is up the hill in which direction the tiger made off, has visited Mr. Clark with Mr. G. O. Moxon, and steps are contemplated with a view to tracking the marauder down. Captain Cassel, who has had some experience of big game hunting, is making an inspection of the ground to-night to see if tracks can be found, though this will probably be difficult, as the place where the tiger was seen is grass-covered.

During the past week several people have heard what they have thought to be growls of a tiger, but no importance had been attached to them, until now, when the definite presence of a tiger seems to be established.

The spot at which the tiger was seen is near the Magazine Gap end of Barker Road.

"THE NEW HONGKONG CINEMATOGRAH."

Another Picture Theatre for the Colony.

An additional house of amusement will be opened on Saturday night—the New Hongkong Cinematograph, and the venture bids fair to be a distinct success. The builders have been at work for some weeks past on the old Land Office in Queen's Road Central, and have converted it into a very pretty little theatre, capable of seating some four or five hundred people. The furnishing and decorating are in very good taste, everything is up to date, fans are fitted throughout and the building is wonderfully well ventilated. There is a comfortable and well-arranged dress circle, capable of seating about a hundred and twenty people. The screen is a large one and the lamp is of the best quality.

The fact that the new theatre is so easily accessible from all parts of the Colony is greatly in its favour, and a long reign of prosperity may be confidently prophesied for it. The place is entirely under European management and the proprietors' aim is to combine low prices with the best accommodation and the most high class pictures. The prices of admission will be: Dress Circle 80 cents; First Class 60 cents and Second Class 25 cents. Children will be admitted half price at all shows. There will matinees on Wednesdays and Saturdays. It should be added that an excellent band, under the conductorship of Professor Gonzalez, has been engaged.

POST OFFICE.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Liberia and Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Agulhas Radio Telegraph Station:—
CHINA EMPRESS OF RUSSIA

MAILS DUE.

Shanghai (via Swatow)—Per ANHUI, 31st Aug.
San Francisco—Per CHINA, 31st Aug.
Canada—Per EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, 1st Sep.
Europe (London 3rd Aug. via Siberia)—Per LUCHOW, 1st Sep.
Europe (English Mail)—Per NAMUR, 3rd Sep.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Shanghai & N. China—Per ALCINOUS, 31st Aug. 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Japan via Kobe—Per TIBODAS, 1st Sep. 8 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAI-CHING, 1st Sep. 1.30 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Moji, Victoria, B.C. & Seattle, Wash.—Per YOKOHAMA MARU, 1st Sep. 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, 2nd September.

Japan via Moji—Per KUTSANG, 2nd Sep. 8 a.m.
Sandaikan—Per HINSANG, 2nd Sep. 11 a.m.
Straits—Per CHUNSONG, 2nd Sep. 11 a.m.
Philippine Is.—Per YUENSANG, 2nd Sep. 2 p.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per ANHUI, 2nd Sep. 5 p.m.
Hoibow & Haiphong—Per TAKSANG, 2nd Sep. 5 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Alcinous, Br. ss. 4,600, Bta. 30th Aug.—Singapore, 24th Aug. Gen.—B. & S.
Kutsang, Br. ss. 4,835, Bradley, 30th Aug.—Singapore, 24th Aug. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Monteagle, Br. ss. 3,953, Haier, 30th Aug.—Shanghai, 17th Aug. Gen.—C. F. O. S.
Portloe, Fr. ss. 7,357, C. eta. 30th Aug.—Haiphong, 28th Aug. Gen.—M. M. & Co.
Laertes, Br. ss. 1,340, Jenkins, 31st Aug.—Seigon, Gen.—Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Aug. 29.
Taihei M. for Da ren via Chafco Cnoyang for Shanghai via Swatow

Aug. 30.

Halvard for Bangkok via Swatow City of Durham for Manila
Sukitai for E. C. Wau via Macao W. Howra for Saigon
Changchow for Bangkok via Swatow Chingchow for Pt. Paravul
Chofu M. for Bangkok
Fortugal for Kumpoon
Sandal M. for Bombay via Singapore

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Aug. 31.

Hongkong for Haiphong via Hoibow Sinkang for Shanghai
Portloe for Yokohama via Shanghai Huicow for Tientsin via Weihaiwei Kwangshai for Shanghai via Foochow Ha-tan for Swatow
Alcinous for Yokohama via Shanghai

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 31st at 12.15—No returns from Indo-China.
Pressure has increased considerably at Shanghai, and slightly over all southern districts; it is stationary over Japan.
Gradients are shallow over the whole area.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.90 inch. Total since January 1st, 64.48 inches, against an average of 65.96 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW

District. Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock. S. winds, moderate to light; fine.
2 Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.
3 South coast of China bet. tween H.K. and Lancocks. The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China bet. tween H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

B. D. EVANS, Chief Ass. Asst. Hongkong Observatory, August 31.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On date On date.
Barometer 29.80 29.88 29.88
Temperature 86 81 88
Humidity 72 82 63
Wind Direction WSW S WSW
Force 3 4 2
Weather 0 0 0
Rain 0.07 0.09 0.00
Highest temp. on temperature on the 31st 86
H.K. Observatory, 31st August.
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

TIDE TABLE.

From 28th Aug. to 3rd Sept., 1916.

Day	High Water	Low Water
Mon. 28	10 45	4 15
Tues. 29	10 45	4 15
Wed. 30	10 45	4 15
Thurs. 31	10 45	4 15
Fri. 1	10 45	4 15
Sat. 2	10 45	4 15
Sun. 3	10 45	4 15

In morning, a afternoon.

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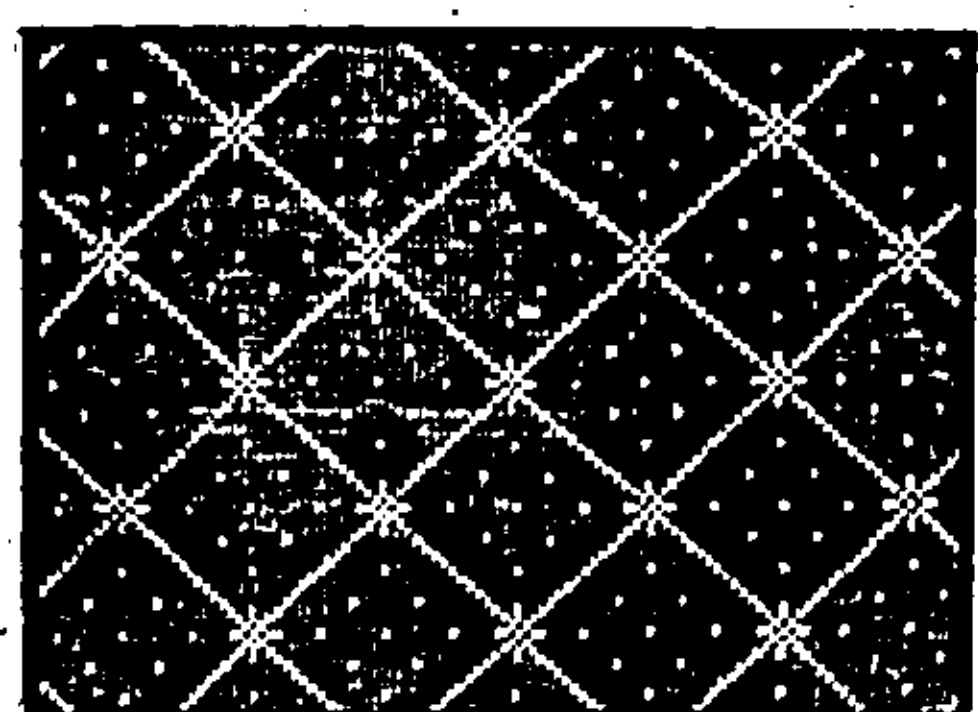
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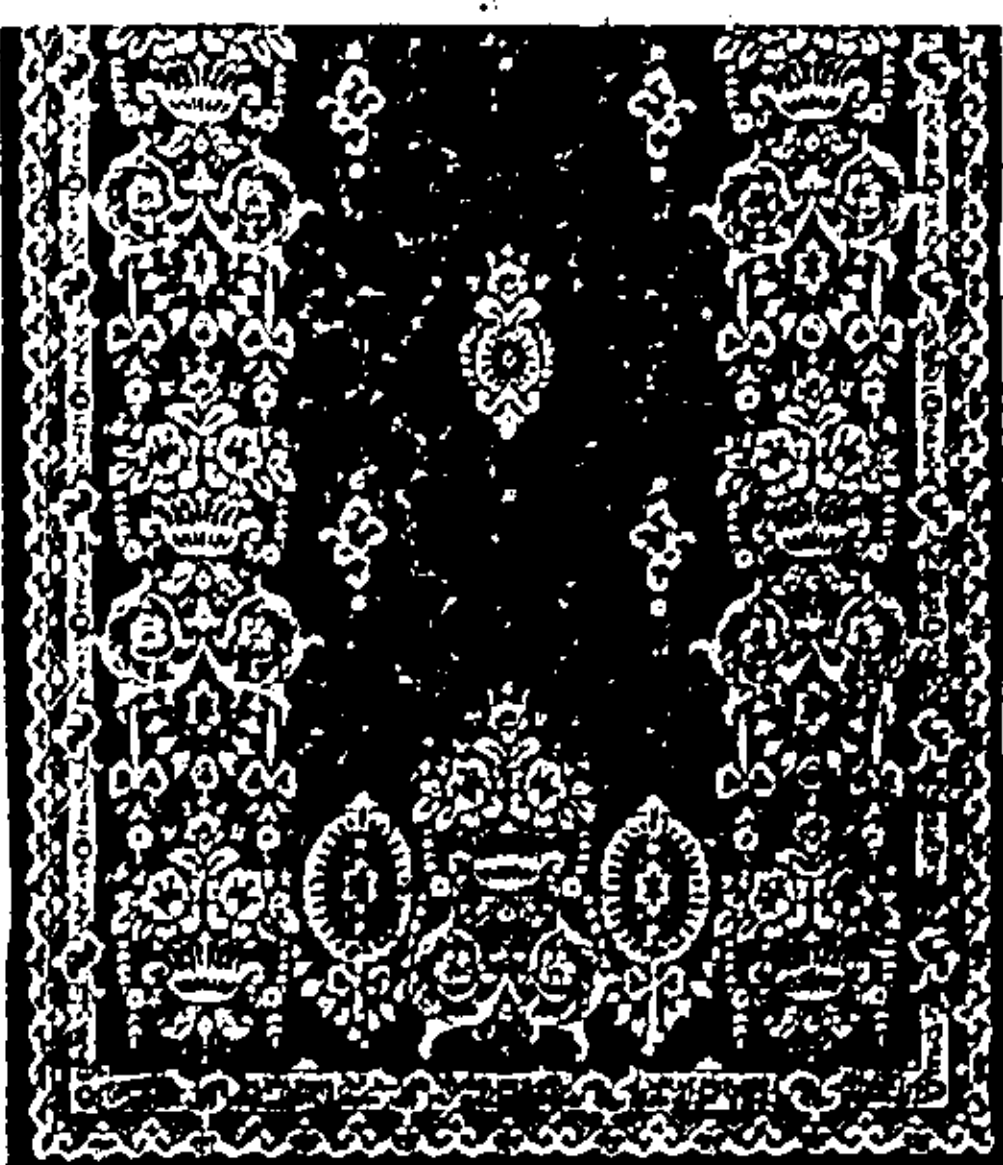
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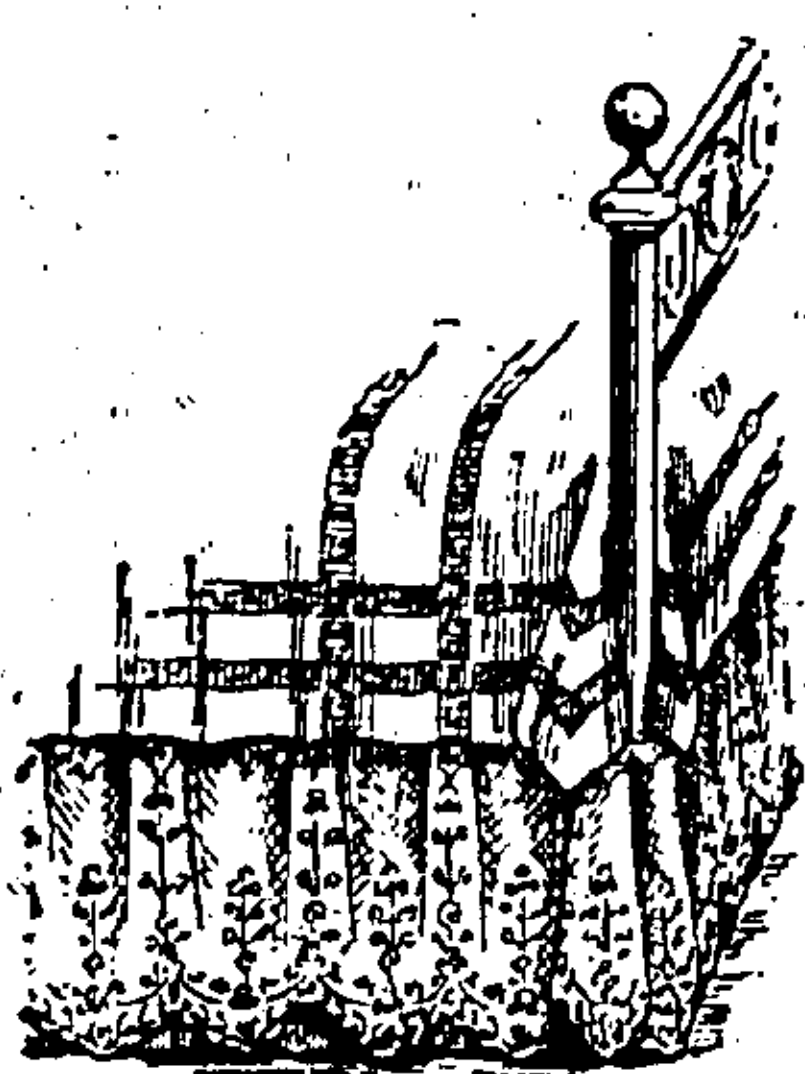
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Strong Cambric trimmed with tordion lace and two rows of insertion. Price 65 cts. per yard.
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SUPERIOR QUALITY
Price 75 cents per yard.



Heavy Wigan Sheets.

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Size 2 by 3 yards,

for single beds.

Price \$4.75 a pair.

Size 2 1/2 by 3 yards,

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Price \$6.00 a pair.

Linen Finished Sheets.

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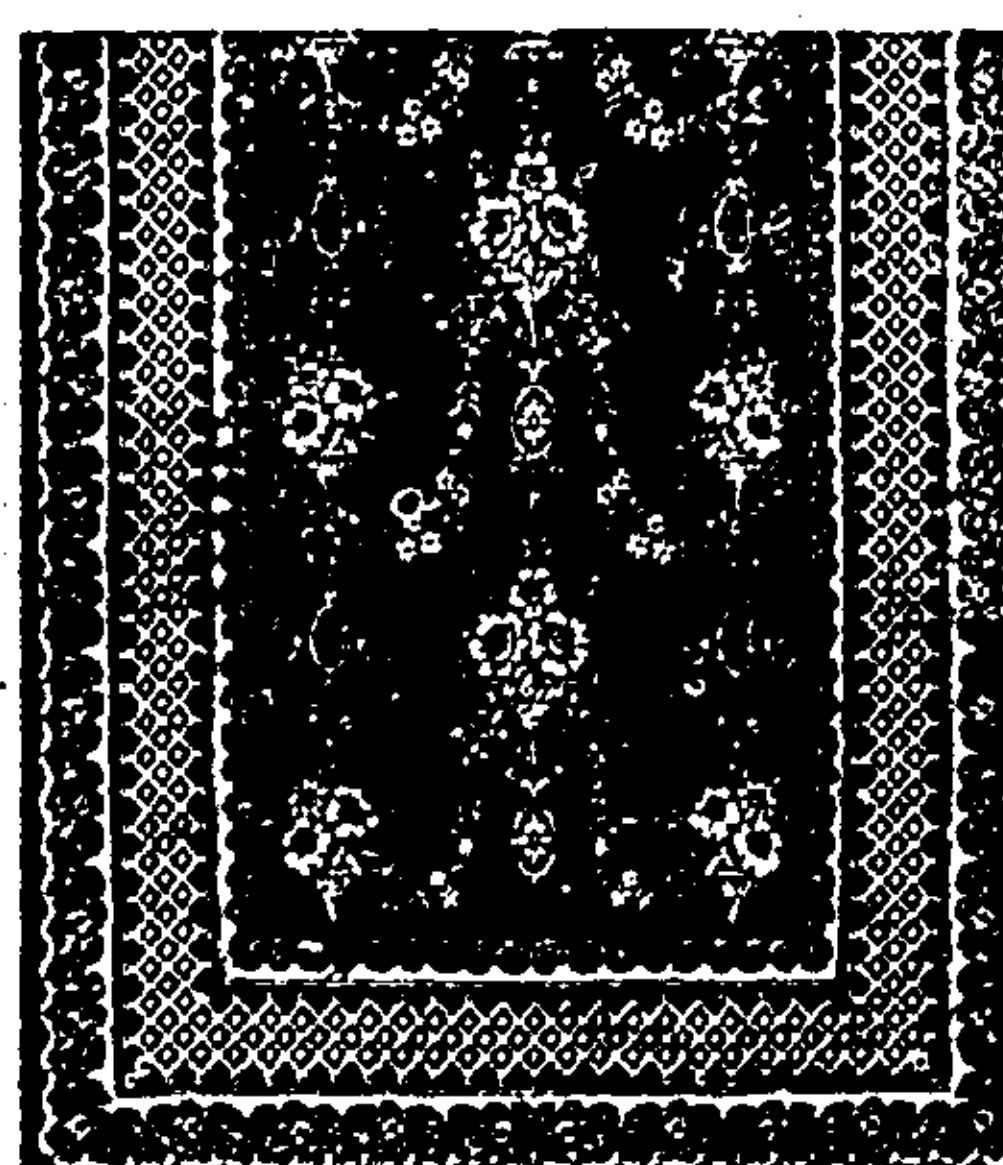
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Price \$6.25 a pair.

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A very lacy Curtain.

In Ivory only.

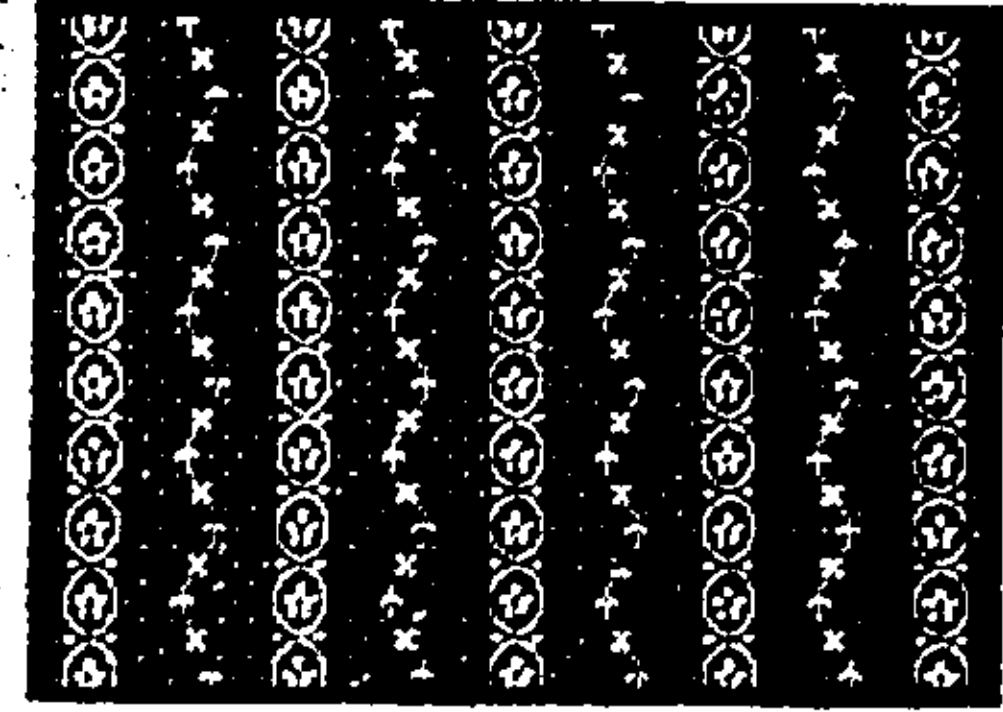
1/2 yd. long. Price \$12.50.



IVORY FILET NET.

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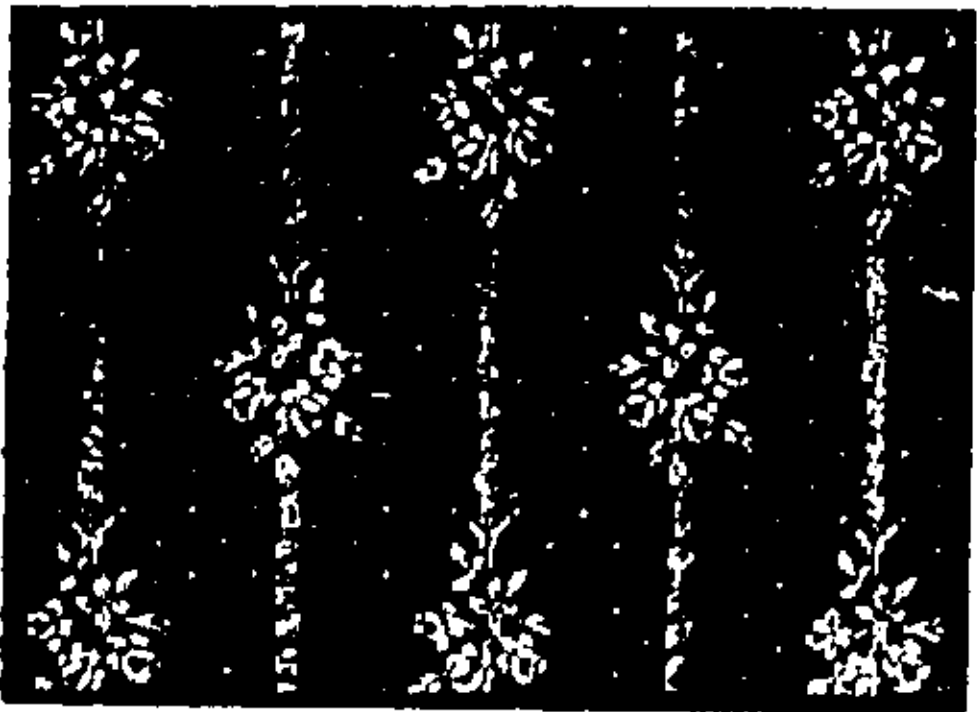


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FOR FRENCH WINDOWS.

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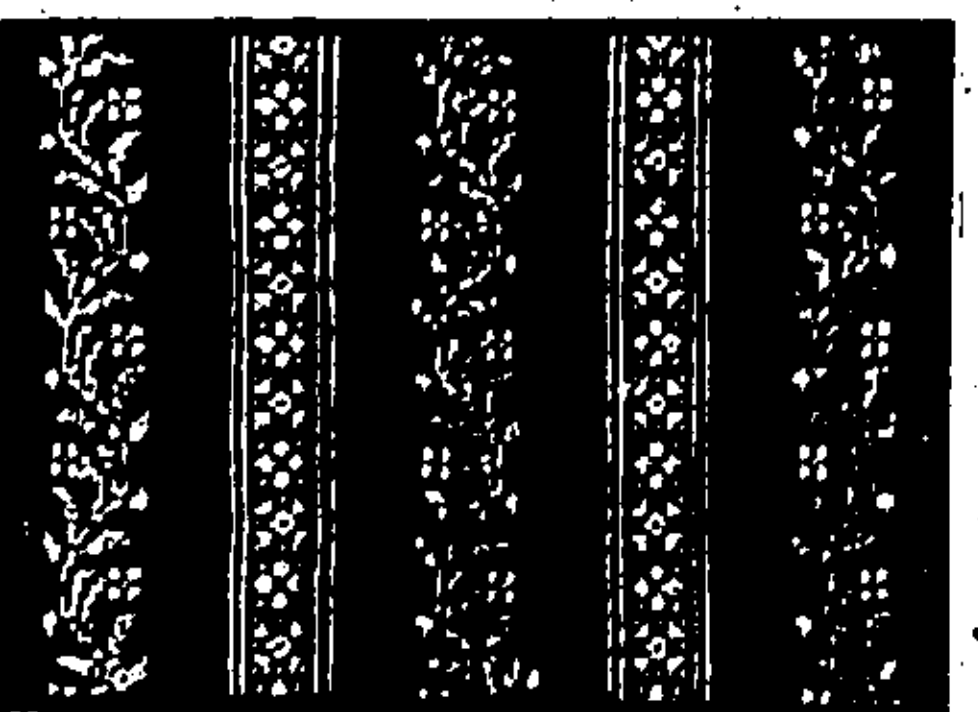
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Size 68 by 68 inches.

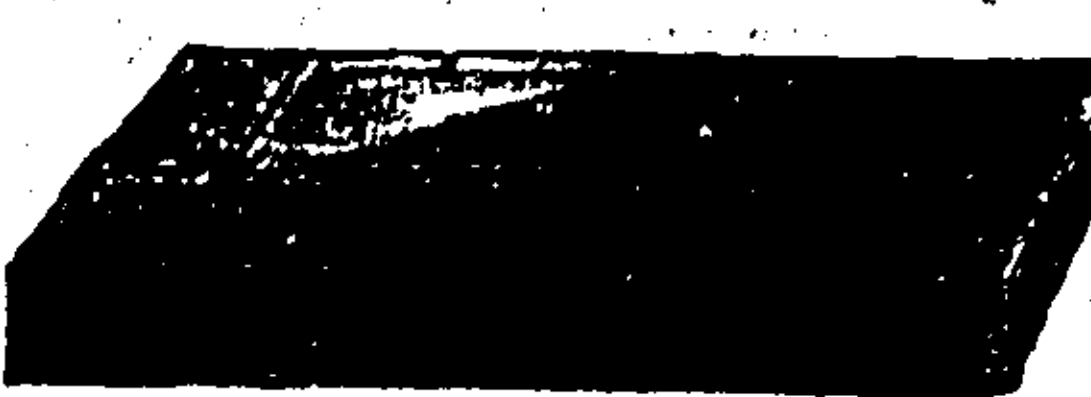
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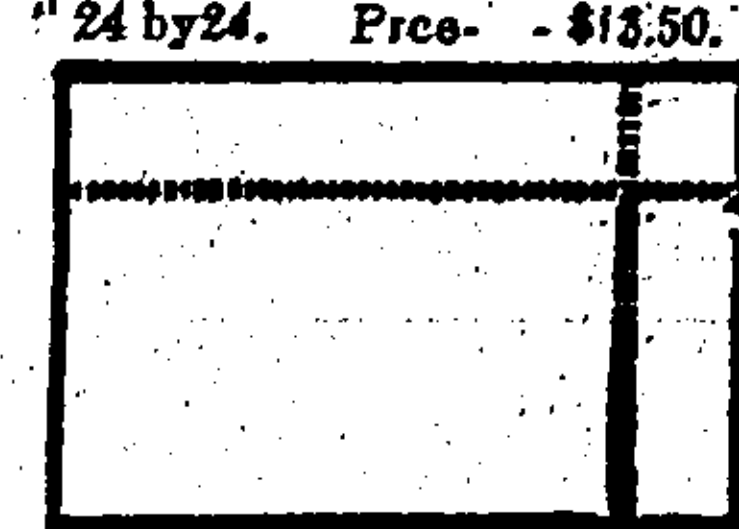
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